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The first prototype of a camera that will be able to sec about 14,000 million years back

The telescope, which has a 2.4-metro (95-inch) mirror, will be the first optical telescope

the universe

By Nicholas Timmins

Government defeated in Lords on school transport

: House of Lords last night ected by 216 votes to 112 the use in the Education (No 2) which allows local authorities to rge for school transport. It was Government's first important

defeat and many Conservative peers rallied to reject the clause. Later Mr Mark Carlisle, QC, Secretary of State for Education, said he could not say how the Government would respond to the defeat.

Tajority of 104 against payments

amentary Correspondent minster

e Government last night red its first important t many Conservative peers id to the call of the Duke priols, the Earl Marshal of and, to throw out the e in the Education (Ng 2) which allows local authori-to charge "as they think for school transport.

e clause was rejected by votes to 112, a majority ist the Government of 104, spite of frantic attempts ppease angry rural com-ties and churchmen of denomination, the Govent's various amendments the controversial clause i to quell the revolt. The rangeat was outwardly deriment was outwardly demed yesterday not to give
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Mark Carlisle, QC, Secreof State for Education,
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arly upset at the unexpecize of the majority against overnment, which indica-has the revolt had spread widely than had been ht by government business gers, Mr Carlisle said be that those voting against school transport charges wrong, and that they misthe effect of what the nment was doing, He better local authorities have imposed only mod-

_: revolt was one of the determined shows of milids. At the report stage in ommons, it was clear that

was passed with one of the smallest majorities of the present Parliament and with 13 Conservative MPs voting against

It seems certain that, boltered by the stand taken in the Lords, many more MPs can be expected to have the courage of their convictions and take up the cudgels on behalf of their rural constituents.

rural constituents.

The stage was set for a clearcut showdown on the issue when
Lady Young, Minister of State
for Education, announced that
the various amendments to the
clause would be set aside for
the moment and suggested that
the debate should take part on
whether the clause as a whole
should be retained or rejected.
As one peer remarked, it was
essential that the contentious
clause should be considered at
an hour of the night when their
lordships were still their normal, bright-eyed selves.

First into battle was the Duke

First into battle was the Duke of Norfelk, the premier duke and leader of the lay Roman Catholic community, who said that the Government's concessions so far were only shallow ones and would be an absolute heaven for bureaucrats. He estimated that much of the £30m expected to be saved by the expected to be saved by the scheme would be swallowed up in the cost of administration.

The duke told the house that he was not speaking from a selfish sectarian, Roman Catholic attitude. He was talking tor all church schools. Many vil-lage schools had been closed on the express promise that there-would be free transport to the next village. The vilthis on that understanding and they could not now see how that promise could be ignored.

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As the debate continued it t was rife on the Conservasoon became clear that the
benches and in spire of Anglean bishops were joining
ons work by the Governforces with the duke, as did

Another powerful voice call-ing for the rejection of mc clause was that of Lord Butier of Saffron Walden, former Conof Sairron Walden, former Con-servative Deputy Prime Mini-ster, who described the pro-posals as a breach of faith on the part of the Government. The proposed charges would upset not only the Roman Catholics but the Anglican community, the Free Church Federal Council and the National Union of Teachers.

years of public life he had received as many letters on an issue on only two previous occasions: the 1944 Education Act and Suez. Politics, he said, was largely a matter of the heart, and people felt deeply on the issue all over the country.

He urged the house not to take a step which would create or maintain any bitterness in the settlement which had been created between the churches and the state,

Lady Young said that the Cabinet had decided that savings must be made in the education budget, but that they should come from the non-educational parts such as meals, milk and transport. The Government's aim was to pre-serve the basic fabric of the education system and, in particular, the teacher numbers.

Lady Young said that under the proposals no family would have to pay an economic charge for transport; they were being asked to pay a contribution to the cost of transport. The national subsidy for school transport in 1980 would still total £100m and 80 per ceat of that would go in subsidies to the shire counties.

In the end, it was largely a matter of consciences against party loyalties. Appealing to peers to feel, like Martin Luther, that "I can do no other". Lord Butler urged them to followhis example and throw out the clause.



Crews jockey for position at the start of the 34th Head of the River schools race at Hammersmith yesterday, won by Shrewsbury. Report, page 14.

Alternative Olympics sought in move involving 50 countries

Washington, March 13.— Couptries planning to boycott the Moscow games in protest against Soviet military interven-tion in Afghanistan have been invited to attend a meeting in Geneva to discuss sites for an alternative games.

The United States and Australia, who are behind the

scheme, want events to be held at four or five venues around the world in the last two weeks of August. Among the places under discussion are Brisbane and Nairobit.

At least 50 countries are estimated to be planning to

boycott the Moscow games, it was not known how many of them would be attending the Geneva meeting on Monday. In New York yesterday the World Sports Foundation, a group representing prominent United States athletes, said it

United States athletes, said it had sent a leter to President Carter urging him to support Lord Cartington's proposal for a neutral Afghaniston.

The United States Olympic Committee has said it will not defy President Carter's tall to boycott the games, but it has until May 24 to decline or accept its lavitation to take part.

Commons uppoar: The Govern-

Commons uproar: The Govern-Parliamentary report, page 11 ment yesterday came under fused.

intense pressure from all sides of the Commons when Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Leader of the House, announced that the debate on British participation in the Moscow Olympics would take place in the middle

of the night next Monday. The Opposition and most of the MPs who rose to question Mr St John-Stevas do not believ that a three-hour debate, starting at 10pm, can possibly provide a proper forum for the provide a proper forum for the important issues that will need to be aired.

Monday will be a supply day, and it is understood that Oppositim business managers offered all or any part of it to Mr St John-Stevas for the Olympics debate. They would want their supply day back at a later date—but were prepared to wait for it until after the Easter recess.

The row over the timing of the debate had been simmering behind the scenes all week. On Monday, it is rumoured, Gov-Monday, it is rumoured, Gov-ernment business .managers warned their opposite numbers that they would like to make a change of business statement the next day (last Tuesday) announcing the debate for Wednesday. The Opposition re-fused

Mr St John-Stevas and his col-leagues then appear to have de-manded Opposition time (by way of a supply day) to fit the business in. Opposition leaders apparently replied that the Gov-ernment wanted the debate, it was Government business and the Government really would have to make time.

The impasse persisted through the business statement

through the business statement in the House, with the Cabinet holding the view that if it all seemed somewhat perty, then the Opposition ought to share the obloquy.

The timing of the debate at any rate left senior ministers confident that, on the free vote, the motion would be carried. In the unlikely event of defeat in the lobbies in the early hours of next Tuesday morning, the of next Tuesday morning, the Cabinet will look again at its

Cabinet will look again at its recommendation to British athletes, however.

What they are seeking, and what they would liked to have had earlier this week, is the collective view of the House so as to be able to influenc public opinion both here and abroad.

Mr St John-Stevas came under fire from many of his ownbackbenchers. The prevailing backbenchers. The prevailing view was summed up by Mr Terence Higgins, MP for

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Mr Mugabe shifts emphasis to change

During the week after his party's election victory the emphasis of his public statements was on reconciliation and reassuring white interests. Today however, he talked about the changes he intends to introduce after the country becomes independent next

While reiterating his desire to retain white skills. Mr Mugabe nevertheless emphasized that Africans had voted for his party in order to effect change: "It is the status quo we fought against and we must be seen

vice.
Mr Hove has already indicated that in order to increase black civil service pay it may

Salisbury, March 13

Prime Minister-designate, and the country's 220,000 whites may be nearing an end.

vice.

It was his plan for restructuring the civil service, long a bastion of white interests where most concern within the European com-

Mr Mugabe said that Mr

From Nicholas Ashford

The brief honeymoon between Mr Robert Mugabe, Rhodesia's

against and we must be seen to be overthrowing it."

He listed four priorities, where his government would act as quickly as possible. These were land resettlement, educa-tion, health, and the civil ser-

Richard Hove, who is to be the new Minister of the Public Service, was already examining ways of restructuring the Administration. He made it clear the emphasis of change would be on African promotion and the establishment of a "non-racial system" in the civil ser-

to be put into space and able to see visible light rather than invisible wavelengths such as ultra-violet and X-ray sources. Professor Robert Wilson, Professor of Astronomy at University College, London, who sat on the international committee that reviewed the tele-

mittee that reviewed the telescope las year, said yesterday:
"With ground-based telescopes we can see about half the size of the universe and, therefore, back about half its age.
"With the space telescope we will be able to see 90 per cent back in time to the point where

back in time to the point where the universe was only 10 per cent or perhaps 20 per cent old. It is this possibility that is so exciting. We might actually start to see an evolving universe."

The "big bang" theory maintains that the universe started when the original matter exploded outwards, and scientists believe that they can still detect the original radiation from that explosion. Going back half the universe's estimated age, astronomers can see no difference on the grand scale to the universe as it is at present.

Professor Wilson said that

Professor Wilson said that one of the projects aims was to settled cosmological questions, including the argument between the "big bang" and "steady state" theories, the later of which maintains that the

universe has always existed in its present state.

Astronomers "see" back into time by examining very distant and often very feint sources from which light has taken thousands of millions of news

thousands of millions of rears to travel to earth, thus depicting events which happened that long ago.

Earth's atmosphere distorts light as it passes through limiting what ground-based telescopes can detect. The NASA telescope, which is being built in conjunction with the European Space Agency, will orbit 400 to 500 miles above Earth and, hance, above its atmoand, hence, above its atmosphere. That will give it a range seven times greater than Earth-based instruments although it is only half the size of the

largest ground telescopes.
The camera array has been designed and built by the Eritish Aerospace Dynamics Group at Bristol on a 57.3m The camera will take up to

to take one pictur which will be transmitted back

President Tito

unchanged

Belgrade, March 13.—President Tito's doctors said today that his general condition was essentially unchanged since yesterday ,when it was described as very grave.

A brief medical bulletin said
he was undergoing continued

Continued on page 8, col 5 intensive treatment.-Reuter.

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er of the Iron and Steel s Confederation (ISTC)

ISTC headquarters in my vesterday to be acting sown initiative, said that naments had been arranthrough the labouries at the embassies, added: "We have a liship pact with the comisteelworkers and we are nother will help us out. If weeks most of our sers are in desperate ital straits."

Cowling visited Poland years ago and the Soviet last year with steelwork-

lelegations. He said that noney being sought was o finance picketing or ing like that. It is purely te hardship fund added: "The union has toney from Western Europanions, including those in the same sains to n. Now, we are going to rn Europe, I do not see ifference. If necessary we go to China for money".

Cowling said cash had ent from Russia to help s during the 1972 and strikes. He believed that

ustavi plant in Georgia, has a similar history and on to the Corby works, give strong support to a collection.

ISTC does not pay strike it though it has set up a hip fund to which British s, including the National of Mineworkers and the port and General Workers', have contributed.

Roy Evans, assistant al secretary of the ISTC, ast night: "John Cowling ing entirely off his own 'nd without the authority c executive, of which he

Evans said that the union ot appealed for assistance quarter However, it had not only from Britain but unions in France and Gerthrough the medium of nemational Metalworkers

other steel news, page 2

Clash likely on state chiefs' pay

Salary levels of Britain's state industry chiefs are likely once again to cause embarrassing clashes for the Government. Heads of public industries are worried that their pay could fall below the high salaries being paid in private industry. This is despite the increases due next month when the Government implements the third tranche of the controversial pay rises agreed by the Labour Government in 1976. The review body on top salaries, under the chairman-ship of Lord Boyle of Handsworth, is carrying out a salary survey which should be submitted out a salary survey which should be submitted to the Prime Minister in late spring Page 19

to the Prime Minister in late spring race and the countries.

Cowling, who was said at ISTC headquarters in my vesterday to be acting sown initiative, said that attments had been arranged to the floo,000 to improve intensive care units and theatres at the bospital rage 4

Disease reassurance

Specialists said there was no danger of an epidemic of legionnaires disease, a type of pneumonia, because it was not communicable. But people who have stayed recently at the Strathclyde Hotel, in Corby, Northoushire, where the germ has been found in the water supply, should see their doctors of they feel ill.

NGA action on pay

The National Graphical Association is to start industrial action in the provincial newspaper and general printing industry in the next few days. The action, which could involve selective strikes, was decided on after the union rejected a pay and productivity package. However, two other printing trade unions are to recommend Page 2 acceptance .

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White callar local authority workers stepped up their industrial action by withdrawing from 15 councils £2m of short-term loans which will have to be repaid to the National and Local Government Officers Association by the end of next week. The union claim "almost 100 per cour" support from members in bisching rate cent" support from members in blacking rate demands from town halls Page 4

Czechoslovakia expels British student

Mr Angus Cargill, a British student aged 18, was detained at a lecture in Prague organized by Professor Julius Tomin's "Flying University", and after questioning for some hours, was ordered from Czechoslovakia. He was the second foreigner to be expelled from the country in a week after attending the lectures. The British Embassy was awaiting details of the expulsion Page 8

Hostages' fate in ballot

Iranians begin elections today for a new Parliament which, by order of Ayatoliah Khomelni, will decide the fate of the American hostages. However, it could be May before it discusses the issue. An American surgeon is flying to Panama to judge whether the deposed Shah should have his spicen removed Page 3

Women's abortion plea

More than 250 delegates to the TUC women's conference in Brighton Lunched a last-ditch attempt to defeat the Abortion (Amendment) Bill, which is due for final debate today. A telegram to MPs urged them to heed the advice of the trade union movement and reject the Bill Page 4

Pc hostage in hijack

A Suffolk policeman was held bostage during a 70-mile chase after his car was hijacked by a man he believed to be armed. The chase ended when the patrol car, with five police cars in pursuit, was rammed at a road block by a lorry carrying a load of bricks. A man was detained

Five years for corruption

A former lord provost of Dundee, a former bailie and a businessman were jailed at the High Court in Edinburgh for five years each after being found guilty of corruption. They are to lodge appeals next week. The case concerned a fam development Page 6 Labour inquiry: "Riggiog" of votes for reselection of candidates would be easier under new proposals, Tribune Group says in evidence 2

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Cheap air routes by Laker rejected

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent A plan by Sir Freddie Laker to open up to 630 new sir get there the better."

Thatcher, and the sooner we get there the better."

He considered last night. fares was rejected last night by the Civil Aviation Authority in

London.
The authority also refused applications for new European services by Air UK and Brit-annia Airways. Britannia bad made an unusual request to sell some seats at scheduled fares on its package holiday flights.

flights.

Licences were granted by the authority to British Caledonian for cheap fares on six routes from Garwick sirport into Europe: to Helsinki, Vienna, Cologne, Hamburg, Hanover, and Stuttgart. Licences held by British Airways to Luxenbourg. Pisa, Venice, Bordeaux, and Stuttgart were renewed.

The authority's decision is a serious blow to the expansion The authority's decision is a serious blow to the expansion plans of Sir Freddie Laker for his independent airline, Laker Airways. But last night he reacted in the ebullient fashion that gained him licences to operate Skytrain chean-fare services across the North Atlantic after a battle lasting seven years with the British and United States aviation authorities.

authorities.

"We are spealing instantly to the Secretary of State for Trade", he said. "He has to make the political decision whether Britain actually sub-scribes to private enterprise and free compention, and to the competition rules of the Treaty of Rome".

The aviation authority was sticking to regulation and price control, while the Government was talking about competition

and the minimum constraint on airlines. "It is now up to Mrs

worth £250m that he had placed for European A300 airbuses, mainly to fly the routes in Europe he hoped to obtain, was to stand. "The company management is convinced that the aviation authority's decision will be overturned on appeal",

The authority said last night that it was disagreeable such a bold scheme as that proposed by Laker should have to be rejected.

"We recognize that the time has come when civil aviation in western Europe should be subject to the more open trading and competitive concepts that govern the greater part of commercial relations", it said. "Like the EEC Commission, however, the authority favours are regulably explained. an essentially evolutionary approach, so that each step can be evaluated on its merits and put to the test before the next is token. Only in this way is it likely that steps towards lib-eralization will be accepted by other countries."

It suggested two possibilities for the future. "One is that Laker Airways should apply for specific routes, with full supporting evidence, so that the reactions of other countries can be tested. A second possi-bility is for the United King-dom Government to explore with other EEC governments the scope for progressing towards a more open regime in Europe which would be of

BP 'blames' inflation for fourfold leap in profits

British Petroleum, the inter-national oil group in which the Government and the Bank of England have a 46 per cent stake, yesterday joined the other major oil companies in reporting sharply higher profits on the back of crude oil price increases last year. As with Shell and the clearing banks, all of which have shown results dra-matically boosted by inflation, BP has gone to great length to dampen possible criticisms of its fourfold increase in profits.

Net income, which is effectively profits after tax, has risen from £444m to £1.520m. But a statement from the company says that when adjusted for in-flation the rise would have been more modest-from £219m to £502m-and that the return on

British oil companies report "windfall" profits whenever the price of crude oil rises sharply because of the way they have to adjust the value of their stocks on a first-in-first-at

BP is facing increasing exploration and development costs. A spokesman pointed out yesterday that to develop the Magnus field in the North Sea, would have to spend £1,300m, the same as for the hugely profitable Forties field, while the production from Mag-nus will be only a quarter that of Forties. He said that with inflation the scale of capital investment and working capital needed had been rising

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HOME NEWS

BSC ballot on pay ruled out by Mr Sirs

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

A secret union ballot of 140,000 strikers on the British Steel Corporation's "final" pay 140,000 strikers on the British Steel Corporation's "final" pay offer was effectively ruled out last night by the leader of the main union in the industry.

Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, said: "The question of a further ballot of the workers has been suggested by the employers. I do not think that we shall be going along that path."

He was speaking shortly after Mr Robert Scholey, the BSC chief executive, had indicated that preparations were in hand for another corporation-organized vote of the employees if the unions refused to take this step.

Envelopes are addressed ready for a second secret ballot, this time on the corporation's 14.4 per cent pay and produc-tivity package, which failed to gain acceptance in three-day talks earlier this week.

The idea came under heavy fire from Mr Sirs yesterday. The employers suggest that the figures (in their ballot) showed a desire on the part of the members to get back to work on their current offer. My view is that the members were not asked whether they accepted the offer. They were asked if they wanted a ballot about a

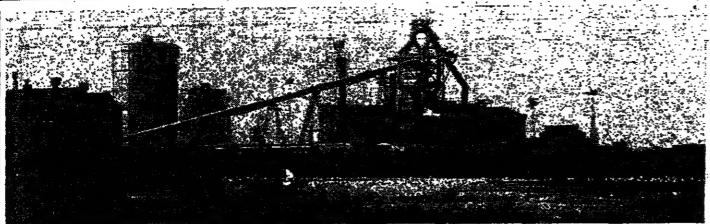
if they wanted a ballot about a vote on the offer."
"Only 44 per cent have said they would like a ballot. Of these, there must be some who wanted a chance to vote 'No', so even if we were to ballot the members it would be rejected. Why waste two weeks to find out something we already

know?"
The corporation does not accept the union's interpreta-tion. Mr Scholey regretted that the unions were unwilling to out a draft agreement negoti-ated this week to the men. The draft agreement dis-cussed by both sides this week

is to be widely publicized by
BSC management, who value it
at 10 per cent in terms of wage
rises this year.
The unions are thinking of 14 per cent increases. On top of that, they want 5 per cent more for an enabling agree-ment to spur local productivity deals, but the corporation is willing to offer only 4 per cent for a trial three months up to

place at works level. The full 16-member negotia continue talks on a pay settle-ment "until the BSC puts hard ting committee of the ISTC is to meet in London on Monday, will be recommended by Mr Sirs to reject the proposed ballot.

allot. Furnacemen called for sanction
Parliamentary report, page 11 to withdraw safety cover from



The Redcar blast furnace, showpiece of British Steel's £400 m investment, silent during the shutdown.

Six weeks to resume full production after strike is settled Furnaces kept going in 'operation dampdown'

geared to the corporation's new target production level of 15 million tonnes of liquid steel a

year will be of vital importance to its ability to compete with the cheaper steel of its

Although the corporation's

confident that the return to production will be smooth, a source of concern must be the huge 10,000 tonnes a day capacity blastfurnace at Redcar,

committee, said less the stactics that should have been employed the start of the strike. We

at the start of the strike. We shall look at the coordination

If this had been done in the first place we should not have

id such a ragged situation as

The most serious threat to

British Steel is the possibility

of the withdrawal of safety

coke ovens at Scunthorpe. If

the coke ovens went cold it

would cost up to £12m and

... Widespread industrial action in the provincial newspaper and general printing industry will

start in the next few days. The action, details of which are being kept secret, was sanctioned yesterday by the National Graphical Association.

Mr Joe Wade, the NGA's general secretary, said after a meeting of the union's national council: ""We are going to hit them where it hurts". The action would not involve the union's 65,000 members in an all-out strike at this stage but could involve selective strikes.

could involve selective strikes, he said.

The union decided on the

activities on a national basis.

competitors.

we have now

locate steel production in the cover from blastfurnaces and

Mr Edward Thorne, secretary take many months to restore of the national coordinating them to operational use.

Industrial Editor

Full production of iron and steel in the British Steel Corporation's plants may not be achieved much before the middle of May, assuming that the impasse over pay is resolved by the end of this month.

The plants, which have effectively been closed down since before Christmas in anticipa-tion of the nationwide strike which began on January 2, have been carefully maintained since

Union claims that some of the blastfurnaces are in danger of cooling below the critical temperature were yesterday rejected by corporation executives, although difficulties associated with bringing important units such as the Redcar blastfurnace back on stream after such a long shutdown could arise.

Mr Robert Scholey, the corporation's chief executive, said yesterday: "I have had no reports of any of the production plants within the corporation being at risk. Coke ovens and plast furnaces are inspected daily by management and safety cover is still being provided by the unions.

Rising militancy in

national steel strike became

evident in Yorkshire and

Humberside yesterday. The

South Yorkshire strike commit-

tee, representing 23,000 steel

workers, urged the national

executive of the Iron and Steel

Trodes Confederation not to

At Scunthorpe members of the National Union of Blast-

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cash on the table ".

DISCOVER

"We are allowing six weeks to get under way and build up to normal production of iron and steel, although once the strike is settled we shall be able to start rerolling operations immediately."

A smooth return to productilon will be critical to the cor-poration's ability to win back business lost to foreign steel producers, who are aggressively exploiting the corporation's lack of production with tempting offers of extended credit to stomers of the BSC.

In anticipation of a pro-tracted strike the Corporation "damped down" its blast-furnaces and coke ovens before Christmas to prevent serious damage which, in the case of a blastfurnace, would involve vir-

The damping down is similar to that used to keep a house-bald fire burning by adding non-combustible materials and reducing the draught. The blast-furnaces which produce iron have been charged with non-metallic substances instead of the normal "burden" of iron ore. Supplies of gas, which provide the furnace blast, have been cut to the minimum.

blastfurnaces and coke ovens

at the Scunthorpe steel com-plex. The union said last night

cussed by the executive next

Officials from strike commit-

tees in England, Scotland and

Wales will meet at Salford,

Manchester, today to review the

strike and to produce a new

strategy designed totally to dis-

private sector and steel working

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lion tonnes of iron.

A similar procedure has been carried out with the coke ovens which provide the coke for feeding into the blastfurnaces. The damping down enables the furnaces and coke ovens to be kept hot, but in the event of their cooling below a minimum temperature the refractory lining bricks would collapse and a rebuilding operation, both costly and time-consuming, would follow.

The operation enables production units to be restarted Five times larger than any of the other furnaces on the Teesside complex, the Reduct furnace was in operation for 10 weeks only before the strike because When the strike started the

furnace had been lifted to about half its daily production capa city and the shutdown could no city and the shutdown could not have occurred at a moe critical duction units to be restarted relatively quickly and the maintime, since the corporation had enance of safety cover and the no experience of operating such daily inspections are of critical a large unit. importance. The restart of facilities

The low-cost iron which the furnace produces is central to the corporation's plans for competting with its foreign rivals and the plan is to load the fur-nace to maximum capacity to benefit from its inherent eco-

Similar difficulties will faced in South Wales with the 5,000 tunness day furnace at Llanwern, but assuming no structural difficulties arise most of the smaller furnaces on Humberside, Yorkshire and in Scotland should be able to be which is the centrepiece of the fumberside, Yorkshire and in £400m investment on the site. Scotland should be able to be In its first five-year "campaign" the furnace, which is rapidly.

Strikers blamed for £30,000

damage to crane From Our Correspondent

Essex police yesterday blamed steel strikers for causing damage estimated at £30,000 to a computerised mobile crane at Southend. The vehicle was being used to unload steel from a German coaster on to a sea front jetry. Flying pickets from South Wales arrived to prevent the steel leaving the jetty. In the night while the steel men remained on picket duty the com-puter on the crane was sabo-

offer is a 20 per cent increase", Mr Wade said. "In fact, on the

averages 16 per cent.
"We are convinced that infla-

tion is going to rise about 20 per cent in the life of this in-

crease, and 16 per cent is not

hijacked car and Pc hostage

A policeman was held hostage during a 70-mile car chase after his car was hijacked by a man he believed to be armed. The chase ended when the car crashed at a roadblock manned by police marksmen. manned by police marksmen.

Police Constable Craig Jenkins, aged 22, from Reccles
police station, Suffolk, stopped
a car at Ringsfield near by Its
occupant forced him back intohis Ford Escort pairol car and
made him drive off.

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The hijacker used the carradio to call up police head-quarters and say that no harmwoold come to the hobstage if they were not followed.

After a chase involving several other police cars, which took the Escort into Norflok and down the main All Norrich to London trunk road the car was rammed by an articulated lorry carrying a load of brick at the

riveng a loan or brick at the Fiveways Roundabout, at Barton Mills, on the trunk road.

The car had been driven at high speed down the trunk road through Attleborough and Theford, pursued by an unmarked police car and four

patrol cars.
At the Barton Mills roundabout Suffolk police marksmen armed with shotguns and hand armed with shotgums and hand guns prepared to block the road with a lorry; but there was no time for the lorry to be placed in position so its driver, Mr Daniel Parry, of Stoke-on-Trent, drove it across the road and into the side of the patrol car. A man in the patrol car was hustled away by police.

PC Jenkins, his hand heavily bleeding and bandaged, was taken away by ambulance.

PC Jenkins, a bachelor, was later said to have been "winded" in the collision.

Home-made money

tingham Crown Court yester-day; he was also fined £100 on a theft charge,

Police chase Tribune Group fear o 'rigged' vote on MP

No change should be made in no change should be made in constituency party arrangements for election or reselection of Labour candidates; because proposed alternatives would make "rigging" easier, the left-wing Tribunte Group of MPs states in evidence to the Labour Party commission Labour Party commission examining the future party organization.

In its submission, published yesterday, the group rejects the concept of the "Greek city-state system" of all local party members deciding the choice of a candidate or the reendorsement of a sitting MP.

"The lesson of Newham, Northeast, must not be forgot-ten," the group states. "If the critical decisions in the constimency Labour Party had been made at members meetbeen made at memors meetings it might still be represented by Mr Reg Prentice Inow a Conservative minister], and his subsequent history scarcely suggests that that would be to he benefit of the party."

For the future good of the party, the commission should ensure that the electoral system was based on the general macagement committee and the wards and branches of unions which sent delegates to it.

Criticism from the "mod-erates" o tipe Labour Party is centred on the alleged "unrep-resentative" character of most general management commit-tees. They want all party members (with the qualification of one year's membership and attendance at one previous ticipate in the choice, have to do is to alte

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Another danger

'No change' BL pay de sought for Labour

By Michael Hatfield Political Reporter

Shadow ministers are arguing the case for "no change" on all three main constitutional issues confronting the party in papers sent to Labour MPs last night. It means that the Shadov

Cabinet is seeking the support of the parliamentary party in resisting left-wing pressure for automatic submission for re-selection of MPs, changes in the election of the leader and virtual national executive control over the general election manifesto. The recommendations to the

PLP, if accepted, will be for-warded to the Labour com-mission of inquiry into the party's organization and structure. The proposals will be discussed at a full meeting of the PLP on March 24.

It is understood that the Shadow Cabinet favours the half-way house proposal on re-selection which was first proposed by Mr Ian Mikardo whereby a formula was con-structed in which an MP would not necessarily have to face reselection procedure.

verses the decision taken at gether with the national s last year's party conference, who are represented a most Labour MPs are expected union side of the Levision to support it.

may be imposed

By Donald Macintyre Labour Staff BL is expected to was leaders today that till deadlock over a pay sett for 85,000 car workers broken the manageme have to impose part offer unlisterally.

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President of the Amaig Union of Engineering with Mr. Kenneth Con-relevant national offic.

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Council bans weedkiller From Our Correspondent

Nottingham .

Nottingham City Council yes-terday banned the use of the weedkiller 2,4,5-T in its parks and gardens. Workmen were ordered to isolate all stocks and not use it

in any circumstances. The move comes after claims that women who come in consuffer miscarriages and birth to children with i defects such as a hole. heart. Mr Benjamin Allsop,

man of Norringham gub since committee, said since ban stays until a proper in gatio nby experts has define weedkiller safe committee.

The union decided on the action after rejecting a pay and productivity package from the employers which would have given a minimum earnings level of £75 per week, an increase of Pay rise limit of 14pc expected for Civil Service

By Our Labour Staff
The Government is due to announce in the Commons today the cash limit it has fixed for Civil Service pay rises over the next year. It is widely thought that the limit will be similar to

Evidence compiled by the independent Pay Research Unit suggests that civil servants are due for average increases of about 18 per cent. The unions have made clear that they will oppose the Government, and oppose the Government, and have threatened industrial

action,
Union leaders are being informed of the Government's decision this morning and may seek a meeting with Mrs.
Margaret Thatcher to press their case. One of the unions, the Society of Civil and Public Servants, is already consulting Servants, is already consulting its membership on a call for in-dustrial action.

Scargill wages

By Our Labour Editor
The wage ambitions of Mr
Arthur Scargill, left-wing leader
of the Yorkshire miners, fell
at an unlikely fence yesterday.
His area's proposal to the
annual conference of the
National Union of Mineworkers
that pit men should have pay
rises of 43 per cent from next
Noyember was ruled out of
order by Mr Michael McGahey,
the union's Communist vicepresident.
Mr McGahey, veteran leader
of the Scottish coalfields, was
standing in as chairman of the
NUM executive in place of the
president, Mr Joseph Gormley,
who was indisposed.
He endorsed an aide-memoire
from the president that Yorkshire wage resolutions should
not be debated at the July conference because it clashed with

ference because it clashed with the terms of this year's pay agreement in the mining in-dustry.

Mrs Thatcher faces hostile miners' reception today

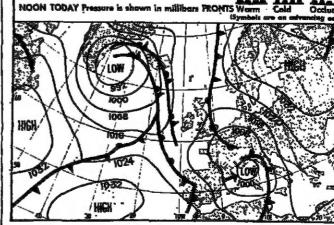
Miners are planning a huge demonstration when the Prime Minister arrives at the Selby coalfield to inspect progress on the new development.

The miners are believed to

The National Union of Mine-workers' branch at the 2,000-member Kellingley colliery, near Poutefract, will send a coachload of demonstrators. Mr George Kelly, the branch

warm one, either."

Weather forecast and recordings



Today

Som rises: Sun sets:
6.17 am
6.4 pm
Moon rises: Moon sets:
5.9 am
3.5 pm
New moon: March 16.
Lighting up: 6.34 pm to 5.45 am.
High water: Loudon Bridge, 11.50
am, 6.5m; Avonmounh, 5.0 am,
11.9m; 5.31 pm, 12.3m. Dover,
8.49 am, 6.0m; 9.17 pm, 6.2m,
11.9m; 5.31 pm, 12.3m. Dover,
8.49 am, 6.0m; 9.17 pm, 6.2m,
Liverpodd, 9.10 am, 8.6m; 9.42
pm, 8.7m.
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and W of the British Isles and low over the near Continent.
Forecasts for 6 am to midnight
London, SE. England, East
Anglia, Channel Islands: Mostly cloudy, occasional rain; wind Nk, fresh or strong; max temp 5 or 6°C (41° to 43°F).

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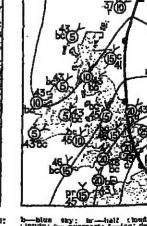
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London: Temp: max 6 an pm, 9°C (48°F); min 6 ph am. 4°C (39°F). Humidity, 56 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 0.01in. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm millibars, rising. 1,000 millibars=29.53is.



Gerdid Wright, aged 50, of Bastion Street, Radford, Nottingham, who made counterfeit 50p pieces with a home-made plasticine mould and a saucepan, was given a six-month suspended jail sentence at Nottingham Crown Court vester-

Progress in pay talks

Pay negotiations setting basic rates for up to 800,000 building workers were adjourned yester-day until March 25 with negotiators on both sides reporting progress. The unions have rejected a 14 per cent offer.

The Commons will adjourn for the Easter recess from

Commons recess

NGA threatens wide industrial action

20.6 per cent. The offer also includes a reduction in the working week from 40 hours to (Sogat) and the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel (Natsopa) are to put the offer to their

130,000 members with a recom-mendation that it be accepted. basis of their figures, when they have reckoned average earnings trivity proposals put to the NGA for skilled workers as £115 a were very different in substance week, the offer they are making and character from those put so

A representative of the employers said last night: "The NGA's rejection and threatened industrial action in the present falling market for prinring appears to be totally un-reglistic."

realistic."

He said the offer would increase average earnings by just under £20 a week, and the reduction in the working week next January was worth a ferries.

going to protect our members against that inflation", he said. Mr Wade said the produc-tivity proposals in the package were "so far-reaching and so fundamental that the price they are offering is by no means big The two other main unions in further 3 per cent.

the 14 per cent fixed for other public service workers.

motion vetoed by Mr McGahey

Indications of a large turnout from Yorkshire's militant 66,000 pinnen are contained in the latest issue of Yorkshire Miner, the union's newspaper. A front page article urges them to "afford Mrs T the welcome she deserves."

Mrs Margaret Thatcher is expected to face a hostile reception from Yorkshire miners today when she visits their coallield.

Miners are planning a huge demonstration when the Prime Minister arrives at the Selby coalfield to inspect progress on the new development.

be planning a reception similar to the one Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry, received in South Wales recently, when he was pekted with eggs and tomatoes. One of the Yorkshire organizers said: "That was nothing compared to what the Iron Maiden will have to face."

The National Union of Mine-

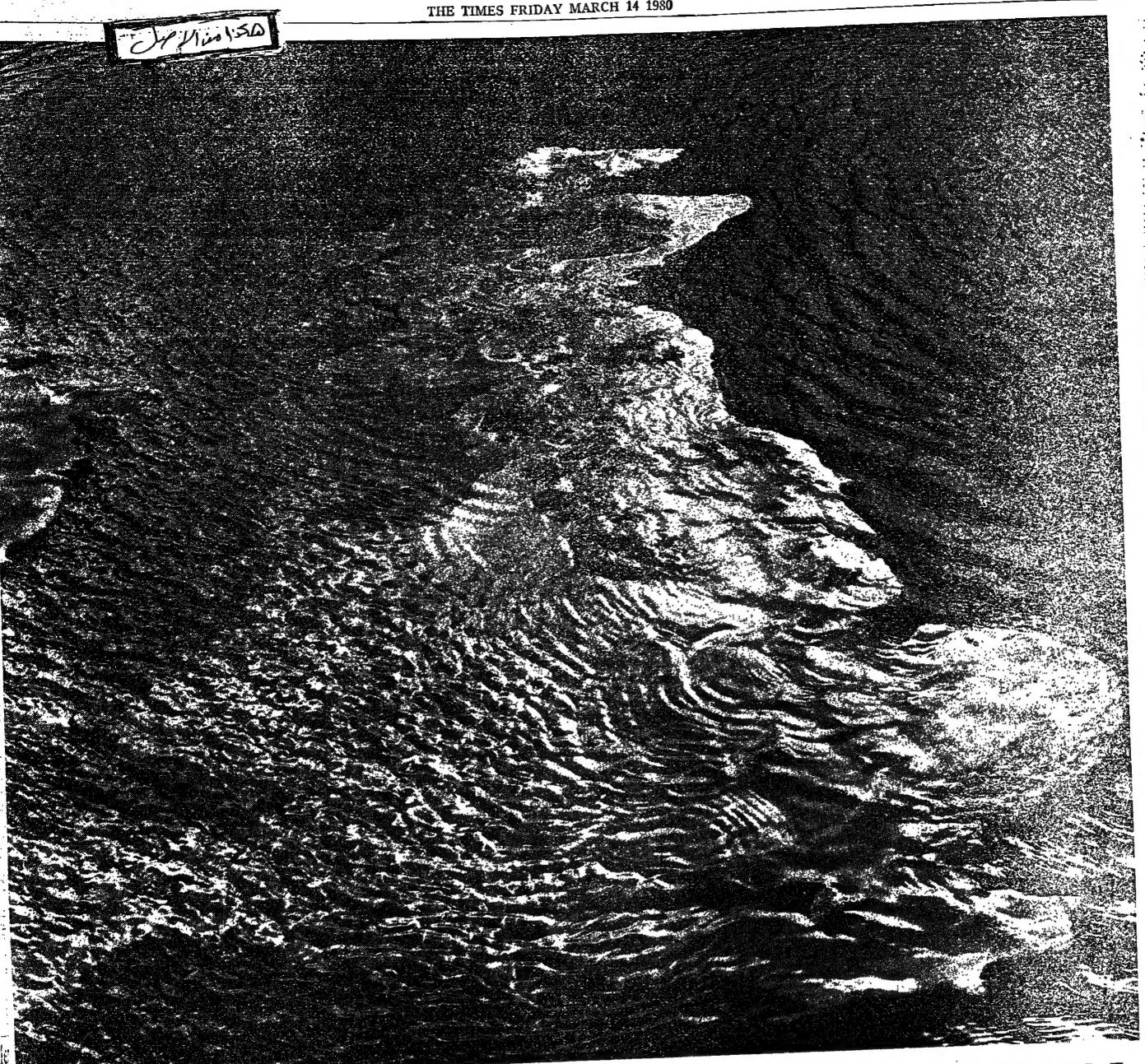
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A letter has gone out urging branches to send men to Selby. "We shall certainly give Mrs Thatcher will go down the Wistow mine.

The miners are believed to "member Kellingley colliery, new properties, will send a coachload of demonstrators. WE Attens are believed to "We shall certainly give Mrs Thatcher the welcome she deserves, and it will not be a warm one, either."

MEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; the Latens of C F Attens and the coachload of demonstrators. WE Attens as the coachload of demonstrators and a coachload of demonstrators. WE Attens as the Colomb results as the coachload of demonstrators. WE Attens as the Colomb results as the Co





BUY BRITISH, OR BYE BYE BRITAIN.

Everywhere you turn you hear that Britain is sinking fast. Everyone agrees that we're in for a rough time.

But it seems something that individually we're unable to understand because we're all enjoying a better way of life than we used to.

But this is only relative, and other countries are leaving us far behind.

We have to realise, before it's too late, that Britain will become a second class, or even third class industrial nation if we become unable to generate the wealth we need to support us.

Failure would be unthinkable. The solution is complex and the problem needs to be attacked from many sides.

Many of us probably feel that it is too great a problem for us to make an individual contribution.

But there are some things we can do to help. And we can, we must, begin today.

We can start by supporting British manufacturers whenever possible.

Imported goods are flooding into our high streets and industrial markets. Many are made just as well by British manufacturers.

If not better.

We must have a strong home market on which to build our exports.

The motor industry is one which particularly needs

your support. And though at BL we cannot deny that our own company is our greatest concern, we also have a genuine concern for all British manufacturers and the employment they provide for millions of people.

Our industry is one of the vital areas of manufacturing industry, and BL is the only British owned volume car maker.

So we hold the key to Britain having its own car industry. It has been claimed that our call to consider British products is little more than a call for blatant patriotism.

Many of the criticisms and reasons for instinctively turning to other car makers' products are founded on our problems of two or three years ago.

But we have made radical changes.

And you can see the difference in all the cars in our showrooms today.

You can see it too in the Allegro 3, just named best buy in its class by France's top motoring magazine L'Auto Journal. In the exciting TR7 convertible. In Leyland Vehicle's new T45 Roadtrain truck.

And of course you'll see it in the sensational Mini Metro, on target for October.

So please, next time you are in the market to buy anything, see how the British product stacks up.

If then you find it doesn't suit you, we'll be surprised. But we won't complain.

ISSUED MAINLY IN THE INTERESTS OF BL BUT ALSO ON BEHALF OF BRITISH MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

Trust gives £300,000 for transplants and Government £100,000

Pauline Burnet, chair-

man of Cambridgeshire Area

the television rental business, arranged the gift to Papworth from the Robinson Charitable

Trust after discussing with a trustee the hospital's shortage of cash for its heart transplant

programme.

Mr Terence English, the surgeon who leads the team at Papworth, has been seeking charitable income to support

transplant operations. The National Heart Research Fund has promised £50,000, but most of that has been spent on the present series of transplant

Mr Robinson has given about £17m towards the founding and endowment of Cambridge Uni-

versity's newest undergraduate

string of racehorses in training in Britain, Mr Robinson lives with his wife in a bungalow in the grounds of his former stables in Bury Road, New-

Miss Peggy Umney, a fellow trupstee, said yesterday that he

would have preferred that his

name was not associated with

the gift to Papworth. "He really wants to lead a peaceful and quiet life, but he does enjoy helping people".

Once the owner of the larges

By John Roper
Health Services Correspondent
A gift of £300,000 from a
charitable trust will ensure at tions at Papworth Hospital, Cambridgeshire, in 1981 and 1982.

man of Cambridgeshire Area Health Authority, said yesterday that doctors and patients were extremely grateful for the git. Papworth hospital would still need Government money after 1982 if the heart transplant was successful, as they knew it would be. Our Cambridge Correspondent writes: Mr Robinson, who made his fortune in the early days of the television rental business, In addition, Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, said in a parliamentary written reply last night that the Government would make a special allocation of up to £100,000 to provide improved operating theatres and intensive care units at Papworth

Hospital. He said, that he had accepted the advice of the Transplant Advisory Panel that planned programmes of at least eight heart transplant operations a year were acceptable. But that was provided the operations were carried out in suitable centres such as Papworth and

would not prove detrimental to other health services.

The donation of £300,000 from the Robinson Charitable Trust was welcomed. Heart transplant-ation surgery was established in several centres abroad and patients achieved long survival rates. Results of recent programmes in this country were

The money will be paid in monthly instalments of £12,500 from the beginning of next year. The National Heart Research Fund, which has met most of the cost so far of the series of transplants at Pap-worth by Mr Terence English and his team, will pay for operations this year.

If its appeal for £250.000 is successful it will consider inviting another centre to trest

alcohol

By a Staff Reporter

of drinking alcohol during pregnancy, a report from the National Council of Women

published yesterday says.
The report, which is a review

of the recent research literature

on the subject, says that there

is strong evidence to suggest that alcohol consumption dur-

ing pregnancy can damage the

unborn child.
"No one can yet be certain at

what stage in development a

foetus may be affected. It is

therefore important for women

to be educated about the poten-ticl risk before they are likely

to conceive. It is possible that damage could occur even before

a woman knows she is preg-

limited social drinking by

a mother could adversely affect

should be more fully warned of

the dangers of drinking during

premancy, in the same way

the dangers associated with

More research is also advo-

crited to discover when a foetus is most vulnerable to alcohol

and whether there is a "safe" level of alcohol consumption.

Alcohol and the Unborn Child— the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome [National Council of Women, 36

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taking drugs or smoking.

her child, the report says.

'Dangers' of | Union seeks cancer prevention

in pregnancy Doctors should warn their women patients of the dangers

Science Editor
Prevention of occupational disease would contribute sub-stantially to combating cancer, Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, said yesterday. He was introducing a report

on occupational cancer that proposed a shift in emphasis from medical research for a "miracle cure" to a pro-gramme of prevention and

Mr Jenkins said that there was an industrial epidemic and too many workers were dying his union had 4,000 compensa tion cases in the courts. How ever, cancer cases are a small

proportion. nant," it says.

It is not known whether there is a "safe" level or pattern of drinking during pregnancy, so it is possible that The report urges a complete reform of the safety standards under which industrial materials, and particularly chemical compounds.

> outlook for cancer patients is hardly better than

> says.
>
> Cancer is overwhelmingly a disease caused by chemical and physical agents in the environ-

The figures for occupationally linked cancers are sparse, but the best available data suggest that they account for between one and two of every five cancer deaths, Regulation of carcinogens (cancer-causing agents) in the workplace must be the first element in a pre-vention policy, the ASTMS study says.

TUC women call for Corrie Bill rejection

rightou More than 250 women trade unionists yesterday launched a last-dirch arremot to defear the Abortion (Amendment) Bill, due for final debate is the House of Commons today.

Delegates from more than 50

trade unions at the TUC women's conference in Brighton endorsed a telegram urging MPs to heed the advice of the trade union movement and reject the Bill.

"We plead with the Com-mons at this eleventh hour to consider the pain and suffering which will be inflicted on so many women and their families if this proposal becomes law",

Delegates were dismayed that Parliament seemed prepared to sacrifice the livelihoods of

sacrifice the livelihoods of children of broken marriages in order to curtail further a woman's right to control her own fertility, it said.

Urging support for the Abortion Act, 1967, it said: "MPs should take full note of the views of the British Medical Association that no amendment whatever is required to existing legislation."

The women were backed by Mr Len Murray, general secre-tary of the TUC, who said he fully shared their concern about the extra time for the Bill. It posed a direct threat to the

wellbeing of women.

The telegram is to be sent to
Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of
State for Social Services, Mr Stanley Orme, shadow Minister of Health; Mr John Corrie, Conservative MP for Ayrshire, North and Bute, and promoter of the Bill, and Miss Josephine Richardson, Labour MP for

Delegates agreed to send telegrams also to MPs sponsored by trade unions. The telegram was drawn up after news that the Corrie Bill ie to have extra parliamentary

Time Bill was down for debate after a private member's Bill sponsored by Mr Robert Taylor, Conservative MP for Croydon, North-West, to index-link

North-West, to index-link maintenance payments granted by courts in divorce cases. Mr Taylor yesterday with-drew his Bill, giving more than five hours' debate for the three remaining clauses of the Corrie Bill which still stand. They include lowering the maximum limit for abortion from 28 to 24 weeks.

The conference, the fiftieth held by TUC women, also con-demned the Government's Em-

But an official in the DPP's office said police would investi-

Ireland were inaccurate.

under Section 11 of the Anti-

DPP not to act on BBC's

Welsh arson programme



Free cigarettes from the Tobacco Workers' Union awaiting delegates to the TUC women's conference in Brighton yesterday. Smoking is banned at the conference.

opportunities for women and working women were trade reduce provision for child care.

Ms Patricia Leman of the National Association of four million. It reflected the Ms Patricia Leman of the ational Association of National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education, said the proposals made the procedure for claiming pregnancy leave more complicated, as the woman now had to write three sets of letters; they doubled the six months' service requirement for unfair dismissal claims, including the grounds of pregnancy; and exempted firms of up to six mployees from statutory obligations to reemploy a woman

after a birth.
Opening the conference, Mrs ployment Bill, which, it said, Marie Patterson, the chairman, would lead to a loss in job said that in 1931 one in seven

increased aspirations of women, yet under the first woman Prime Minister women's rights were under attack as never

She also attacked the work of the Equal Opportunities Commission. TUC women did not accept the commission's position on the retirement age for women, or proposals on protective legislation.

"Rather than eliminate protective legislation for women on night work and shift work we want this protection tended to men, she said.

Ticket of first

The campaign said ." The disproportionate number of black proportionate number of black youths arrested for 'sus', the ted persons in the dispressions in the dispressions in the dispressions." By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent Evidence made available to nature of the offence and the high rate of conviction have led to 'sus' becoming a major factor in embittering relations between the black community and the police".

Evidence made available to The Times by Greater Manchester Police shows that power to arrest suspected persons, now being investigated by a Commons select committee, need not automatically lead to its excessive use or its use especially among black people. against increasing cricicism of Section 4 of the Vagrancy Act, 1824, under which the powers are available. A subcommittee of the Home Affairs Committee of coloured people. Of 49 arrests, only two were classed as "coloured".

are available. A sincommittee of the Home Affairs Committee was told by the "Scrap Sus." Campaign on February. 7 that in 1977, 3,501 people were proceeded against in England and Wales as suspected persons.

Of those, the Metropolitian Police District accounted for 1,914 charges, 55 per cent of all charges brought; Merseyside 430 (12 per cent); Menchester 260 (7 per cent); West Midland 167 (5 per cent); West Midland 167 (5 per cent); South Wales 148 (4 per cent) and West Yorkshire \$2 (2 per cent). In 1977, 1,042 people (44 per cent of those arrested for "sus", were classified as of African or Africaribbean appearance, the committee was told.

not lead to excessive police use

'Suspected persons' powers need

and the police".

In fact, the total given for Manchester does not square with police figures, 241 charges in 1977. Last year's total number of charges of suspected persons, they say, was 270.

More whites than blacks were arrested for "sus" in the area covered by the five divisions of the Greater Manchester Police which have a high concentration of coloured people. Of 49

as "coloured".

The highest number of charges for "sus" were 69 in "A" division. Fifty-five are known to have been whites, and four were coloured. The police say that the ethnic background of the other 10 cannot be determined on the information available.

Yet even in "A" division, the 69 persons dealt with for a suspected person offence represented only 1.4 per cent of all persons dealt with on arrest.

ted persons in the di-which formerly compris-Manchester and Salford

Manchester and Safford compared with 274 in 19
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Good race relations 'being hindered

The application of the sus law by the police, especially in London, is hindering good race relations, both the Commission for Racial Equality and the Runnymede Trust told a Constant and the Runnymede Trust told a Constant succession. committee yesterday. -

The subcommittee on race 7e-The subcommittee on race relations and immigration, part of the Commons Select Committee on Home Affairs, is looking at the use of the "sus" law, which is to be found in the Vagrancy Act, 1824. Section IV of the Act creates an offence of "intent to commit an arrestable offence", and gives the police power to arrest suspected person or reputted suspected person, or reputed their loitering in public places

with intent to commit crimes".

fine Commission for Racial Equality, said that there was a widespread feeling of apprehension in the West Indian community about the use of the "sus" law. A teacher in Brixton had told him that many of her teacher appril of her teenage pupils were not allowed by their parents to go out at night, even for extra picked up by the police.
In talking to young blacks,
he said, he himself had become

aware of the bitterness He could offer no reason why the law was being applied more vigorously in London than else-where, but nationally the Lon-don police area accounted for slightly over half of all "sus" law cases. Feelings about the use of the

Mr David Lane, chairman of law were also experienced

" pretty strongly" in the Written evidence sol by the commission seit high price is being paid shape of strained rebetween ethnic minoriti the police for this per form of deterrent, a virtual non-use by some

Written evidence sul by the Runymede Tru-gested that it is poss infer that the police are use of this charge . . more general dete Statistics showed that th Indian community in it was more heavily repring the number of "sus" than would be expected the size of that ethni

Nalgo withdraws £2m lent to councils

By David Felton

Labour Reporter workers yesterday stepped up their industrial action by with-drawing £2m of short-term loans from councils. The loans will have to be repaid to the National and Local Government Officers Association by the end

of next week. Nalgo said that the move was intended to cause financial embarrassment to the 15 councils who have union loans. Many councils are short of funds at this time of the year because money from central government has been used up and they do not start receiving rates income until next month.
The 15 councils, not named The 15 councils, not named an average 8 per cent is indi-by the union, negotiated the cated by the study. loans on the money markets and they will have to return to

the markets for new loans.

A union spokesman claimed

"almost 100 per cent" support from members in blacking the processing and issuing of rate demands. There have also been requests from members to

extend the action. Escalation of abour Reporter the dispute, over comparability White collar local authority paymens, will be discussed at a orkers yesterday stepped up meeting of the strike operations committee on Monday.

The union is elso hoping to

know by Monday the reaction of air traffic controllers to the call for a four-day strike over the Easter holiday. So far controllers at Luton, Coventry and Bristol have voted for a strike

Bristol have voted for a strike and meetings are to be held in other areas at the weekend. Beliots will be held before a decision by union leaders.

The union argues that the joint comparability study shows that average increases of 14 percent are due, while the employers' interpretation is that an average 8 per cent is indi-

An early day Commons motion tabled by Mr Norman Hogg, Labour MP for Dunbartonshire, East, "deploring the failure of the employers side to honour its commitment to the failure of the frequency would be severe disrupt continental broadcaste. to honour its commitment to lotal government officers on pay comparability", has been signed by 24 MPs.

Broadcast change for police

By a Staff Reporter
The police and fire a
will have to reequip the communications service the next 10 years to mak

The gross cost will be be repayable by local ties in rentals over a

Ambulance services

The rearrangement p. for the extension of

Supermarkets seek freeze on **EEC** farm prices

Correspondent
Supermarket groups called
yesterday for a fraces on most
EEC farm prices. They said
there was no case for increases
on milk, sugar, beef, yeal, fruit
and yesterbles, for which
farmers want rises of almost 8
per cent.

Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by the Retail Consortium showed that grocers were worried that price rises would depress shop sales. The consortium represents most of the

food shops in Bricain.

"High prices will not solve the problems of products in which says that the policy must "ensure that supplies reach consumers at

The consortium wants EEC British share of the EEC butter mountain weighs

more than 25,000 tons.

£3m subsidy to fishermer to search for new ground Ministers have rejecte Agriculture Correspondent

A £3m subsidy is to be paid to fishermen in the next six months, Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said yesterday. "The fishing industry faces great difficulties", he said in a Commons extrement. Commons statement.

His announcement came on the eve of a visit to Hull by Mrs Margaret Thatcher. Hull, once one of the largest fishin gports in Britain, has been one of the worst affected by the closure of traditional waters to British

peals from fishermen for a collapsers, which double weight between 1977 and They had decided instessubsidize a series of sci including the coppinb-up British funds of support paid by the EEC. "We would raise a lot c brows if we saw consumer

rise as a result of this.
Alick Buchanan-Smith, Mi
o iState at Mr Walker's d
ment, told reporters. A th
the subsidy will be use
finance voyages outside pean waters in search or grounds for British boats.

dents' share of the audience dropped from 5.

cent in January to 47 per The BBC programmes, Fix It. The Dick Emery

and All Creatures Great Small, took the next places in the ratings.

According to the I figures, which are differ calculated, the corporat overall lead was even is

with independent telev taking only 41 per cent of

total. Mr Kenneth Miles.

BBC recovers ratings lea

Commercial television lost its ratings battle with the BBC during February, much to the disappointment of advertisers, adjusting to considerably higher rates for air time.

The companies, according to the viewing research organiza-tion, JICTAR, which they spon-sor, managed to recover their traditional majority share of the United Kingdom television audience in January for the first time since the 10-week strike last year. But the latest figures show

that, though Thames produced the most popular programme in February, This is Your Life, autracting an estimated 19.3

Computer finds deserter after 26 years

Mr Thomas Malone, aged 47, of Longwood Walk, Elgin, Grampian, deserted from the now disbanded Royal Ulster Rifles during leave from Colchester barracks 26 years ago. His past caught up with him recently when, after he had committed a minor offence, the national police computer listed him as a deserted. him as a deserted.

near York, yesterday and signed a confession. No action will be taken against him.

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gate the programme's subject matter, which included inter-views with a man allegedly Mr John Biggs-Davison, Con-servative MP for Epping Forest said; "Terrorism seeks and thrives on publicity. Which matters, to save lives or to involved in the arson campaign against English-owned second homes in North Wales. The official added that suggestions of similarities with enjoy a sensational pro-gramme? other television programmes about terrorism in Northern " I's re, after a nasty and un-

balanced programme attacking the Army, notably in Ulster, comes another BBC programme publicizing terrorism in Wales. Investigations into possible offences in Ireland were made

mate suspended after collision No action against the BBC terrorism Act, but that applied A merchant seaman, whose will be taken by the Director only to Northern Ireland. of Public Prosecutions after Wednesday night's controversial Nationwide programme which was broadcast despite ship crashed into a Russian veswhich was broadcast despite complaints by MPs, Mr Phillip Myers, Chief Constable of North Wales, called it "irresponsible, inaccurate and unhelpful".

sel in the Baltic Sea and who was officer of the watch when two other accident were narrowly averted had his first mate's ticket suspended for four years by a Department of Trade inquiry in Liverpool yesterday. Captain Charles Deadbetter,

the chairman, ruled that Thomas Afful "is by reason of incompetency unfit to discharge the duties of a holder of a first mate's certificate."

Old mortuary overcrowded while new is unopened

From Our Correspondent Cardiff

Bodies are being stacked on top of one another on the fluor of a 100-year-old mortuary in South Wales while a new mortuary half a mile away has been unopened for months, according to a report published yesterday by the national Union of Public Employees (Nupe). It calls for the immediate closure of St Woolos mortuary, at Newport, Gwent, It also calls for a severe reprimend for Dr G. S. Andrews, the bead consultant pathologist.

The mortuary can handle nine bodies at a time but is baving to cope with 1.700 a year, the report says. The result is that bodies are stacked on top of one another in the refrigera-tors and on the only post.

mortem slab.

They are also occasionally stored in an adjoining chapel and on the floor of the mortuary, causing ambulance-men to step over them. An undertaker is paid £29 a body to take the overspill at his mortuary, which he rents

from Newport borough council. The report adds that the only drain has to be cleaned out by hand.

Mr Stuart Barber, Gwent Officer for Nupe, who prepared the report, has called for an investigation by the Health and Safety Executive into appears to be a total disregard for any coherent safety stan-dards".

He also wants the immediate opening by the Gwent Health Authority of the new 24-body mortuary at the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, which was still closed. A Gwent Health Authority official said there were a few items to put into the new mor-tuary. They hoped the work would be completed by the end

of next month. The authority's district mana-gement team will consider the report and Mr Berber's letter

on Monday. A Health and Safety Executive spokesman said that the mortuary came within their jurisdiction. They were studying the report.

Murder inquiry after false confession Bradford

A murder inquiry was started by the police in Bradford yes-terday after a man had a wound-ing charge dismissed by the city's magistrates because he was said to have made a false confession about an attack on an elderly woman, who had since died. She was stabbed on the doorstep of her home.

James Hunter, aged 21, Hyne Avenue, Bierley, Brad-ford, had spent three weeks in custody charged with wounding Mrs Gertrude Crey, aged 72, of Bierley, with intent to do her grievous bodily harm. When he appeared before the magistrates yesterday the police offered no evidence and the case was dis-

Mr Richard Otley, for the

He added: " I saw him before he was charged with wounding and he admitted the stabbing immediately. He gave explicit details. I did not know then the extent of his state of mind. "Later, however, I doubted

if it was true, and to their credit, so did the police officers working on the case. Thanks to the police officers, sufficient evidence was obtained to secure his release, Because of the open mind and diligence of the offi-cers Mr Hunter walks out of here a free man."

Outside the court Mr Hunter's mother said she appreciated the

mewed appeals for information about a man aged between 22 and 35 in dark clothing seen running from the direction of Mrs Grey's home at the time. mind and diligence of the offi-

prosecution, said grave doubt had arisen about the validity of the evidence against Mr Hunter. Mr Desmond Joyce, for the defence, said Mr Hunter could have been charged with murder.

Later Det Supt John Stainthore who trook charge of the would be overcome. The thoroughness of police inquiries had established that

the confession was untrue and the question of prosecuting Mr Hunter for wasting police time would be considered. He described the murder as brutal and motiveless. He re-

of the Incorporated Societ British Advertisers, com ted yesterday: "One should

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surplus, as they do not en-courage greater consumption" the consortium said. It wanted more attention to be paid to the fifth principle of the common agricultural policy expressed in the Treaty of Rome,

butter subsidies to be increased. It believes that their cost should be compared with that of buying and storing surplus but-ter, which it estimated to be more than £2,000 a ton. The

has worked out this way."

Later Det Supr John Stainthorpe, who took charge of the murder inquiry, said that because of the false confession the investigation had suffered a setback, but he was sure it would be opercome.

Mr Maione went to the King's Division depot at Strensall,

This publication with humanitarian means is to comply with the demands of the group E.R.P. in El Salvador in order to gain the release of one of its hostages.

The People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) of El Salvador to all the nations of the world

STRUGGLE

The Salvadorian people are at The Salvanoran people are at present facing a crucial moment in history in search of their final fiberation. The struggle that is now taking place in our country expresses a people's right to be the author of its own destiny. For this reason, in order to exercise this right, we must not be deterred by the manipulation, the graps and even the direct the traps and even the direct intervention of American imperalism, declared enemy of a country's right to self-determination and a firm ally of the oppressors of the world.

century of criminal and pittless repression at the hands of murderous military districtorships, which have protected the murderous military dictatorships, which have protected the interests of American imperialism and of the Salvadorian Oligarchy, while keeping our people submerged in a terrible drams of powerty which ranks is among the countries with the leghest radices of flitteracy, malnutrision, lack of housing, infant mortality, etc., in the world.

The existence of this situation The existence of this situation of permanent oppression has made the Salvadorian people become universiting in its effort to achieve an alternative which offers real liberty, democracy and self-determination, and to this end has desclosed its own means, evolving its popular organizations and strengthening its armed revolutionary movement.

The struggle rapidly accelerating in this most recent stage, has provoked, set-heitzs and super-ficial changes in government policy, in which American imperation has been the principal resources.

It was in this simution that our convulsed nation beard all the fastist talk about. Dialogue and Free Elections? Auring the Romero era. The failure of this formula gave way in a "cour formula gave way to a "coup d'eta!" in order to avoid the almost certain international isolation of the distancein of

This comp, promotes by he-Americans did not signify, nor rould it signify, the solution to the problems of our people, since the input was to smpette toostruction by the people of a true democratic and popular

of the Savenovian processy of strongle, and the honesty of democratic sectors who had of structural reforms in our society, made it impossible to consolidate the initial attempt at forming a governing junta, bring-ing to a noisy conclusion the first

There was no leck of opportunists, fence-sitters and rest-tionaries to offer themselves for a second imperialist manoeuver, and a second pact, this time be-tween the Christian Democrats and the most reactionary sectors of the military, was schieved.

of the military, was schieved.

The basis of this new pact was total acceptance of a demagogic plan of pseudo-reforms combined with cruel repression against the people. But some oligarchic groups and the acmy, in their poracity and fremendous criminal defamations have not even accepted this scheme, and are looking for one that doesn't speak at all of reforms, and that uses repression as the only solution to the problems of the country.

Therefore it is clear; that the core reactionary sector of the Christian Democratic Party; the Officerchy; imperialism and the majority of the army are in agreement over one thing; to subjugate our people and destroy its organizations, since this is the fundamental prerequisite for any

The Christian Democrats have been unmasked. The case of Mr Duarie has clearly shown that he is a racked "anni communist" enemy of pepular participation, who prefers to align timself with fascists before having to accept that this country has long since transcended his level of political consciousness, and will not accept the false guidance of petry politicians.

The measuremence in power of the Christian Democrats, or whatever other centrals forminia, is a result of the need of the most murderous and reactionary sectors of the army not to remain alone in power, because as such they would become isolated on an international level, and that would obstruct the American plans for military, political, and economic interventions and running the risk of political, and economic interven tion, and running the risk o democratic governments and nations of the world.

government finds it necessary to give the appearance of being centrist, facilitating a deep and criminal repression, and making it appear on the international scene as the result of confrontations between rightist and leftist

For this reason all metions of the world should be aware of what is really happening in our consery, and of who is really governing El Salvador.

American Imperialism is direct-American Imperialism is directing the destiny of our country
through the enormous coursol
that is exercises over an army
which is essentially murderous;
which has in its ranks officials
and troops who are bloodthirsty
psychopaths, enemies of any
form of popular organization;

accustomed to making an enter-minment out of the butchering of our people.

While this army exists in our country, a faithful servant of imperialism, and while the Oligarchy holds the economic power, there will be neither peace nor justice for our nation, and any government that does not have the popular sectors as the fundamental base for military, economic and political We announce to the democratic movement all over the world that our nation is the victim of a marderous rightist military force, associated with a group which lacks popular support: the Christian Democratic Party, which allows itself to be used soluntarily to give the appearance of a moderate government, when it is in fact of an extreme rightist one.

REPRESSION AT PRESENT: 500 DEATHS IN FIVE MONTHS

The space we have here would not be adequate to write about the bloody repression which the at ms moment. Not one of the campaigns of repression carried out, by the governments of General Romero or General Molina, before the coup of the 15th of October 1979, can compare with the scope of the one being waged at the present time.

The number of deaths gince he 15th October has exceeded 500 in less than five months. The persecution and assassination of leaders and militants of popular

Usually, and to some extent, become known internationally, because the international press is able to cover the events there to some degree, as was the case on the 22nd January, the 12th February and other days when temousherors were massacred in the city of San Salvador.

But the repression in rural But the repression in rural areas of our country has not been sufficiently tabled. In Aguilares, and in many towns and villages of Chalatenarogo, Cuscarlan, San Vicente, Usulutin, La Paz, La Duión, Morazán; La Libertad, Sonicouste—that is in almost eveny parts of the country, the permanent effects of a war against every restige of popular organization are being sufficed.

To give a general idea of the massacres since the 15th of reactionary army has had no officially recognize large num-bers of deaths by repression, with the objective of hiding the true figures (which are ex-higher); the following is general outline:

October 16th, 1979, repression in Mejicanos and Cuscatus-cingo more than 35

October 17th, 1979, Saz Marcos and Bosques del Marzano more than 40 dead. These two incidents were repressions against uprisings led by the People's Revolutionary Army (ERP), and the Popular Leagues of the 28th of February (LP-28).

October 25th, 1973, repression of a demonstration of the Popular Leagues of the 25th of February (LP-28). 75 dead, 21 of which had to be besid, 21 or which and to be buried inside the El Roserio Church in San Salvador because the army surrounding the church constituted a threat of a further massacre to the burial procession.

October 31st, 1979, massacre of a demonstration of the Popular Revolutionary Bloc (BPR)

December 12th, 1979, in Berlin, department of Usulutan, the evacuation of a haclenda occupied by the Popular Leagues of the 28th of February (LP-28). 5 dead.

December 15th, 1979, disoccupation of the hacienda. El Porvenir", occupied by the Popular Leagues of the 28th of February (LP-28). 100 dead. In this incident eyewitnesses say American Soldiers taking part in the operation. January 22, 1980, a demonstra-tion of unity (BPR, LP-28, UDN, MEP and FAPU) is repressed ... more man 40 dead.

Pentrusy 12th, 1980, the locale of the Christian Democratic Party, occupied by the Popular Leagues of the 28th of Februs. ary (LP-28) is disoccupied, and a demonstration of the Popular Revolutionary Bloc (BPR) is repressed. These two incidents result in more

arious of the world.

In the same month of February three churches occupied by
This is the reason why the ary three churches occupied by
overnment finds it necessary to Mignel and Santa Rosa de Lina,
ive the appearance of being were disoccupied, resulting in

The truth of the matter is that there was a military operation in which all the houses of the town were searched. Combatants of our fonces resisted capture and did combat between 4.30 a.m. and 11 a.m., causing innumerable casu-alties amongst the National

Guard and the army (deaths which are not officially acknowledged). As for the forces of the ERP only two deaths were recorded among the combatants, and our forces were able to retreat with no wounded. The majority of dead were citizens and militants of the LP-28 who were unarmed and who were dragged out of their houses and shot some of them with their families.

In all of these incidents hundreds of people have disappeared, captured by the security forces. Later, their bodies have appeared cruelly and psychopathically dismembered.

In rural areas of different tones of the country there is a permanent state of war against the people, and thousands of peasants' families are persecuted and besieged by the National Guard and ORDEN. The forces of repression assassibate forces of repression assassinate and steel family belongings; kill their domestic animals; destroy their crops; rape women and assassinate children, the aged and entire peasant families, in an evident campaign to exterminate the bases of the popular movement. Afterwards, the official bulletins refer to these incidents as "confrontations with

It is not aways known exactly how many deaths are produced by this repression in rural areas, because military cordons impede

The cruelty with which forces of repression act is ter-rifying, and as a small example we refer to the evacuation of the locale of the Christian Demowe reter in the revaluation being the locale of the Christian Democratic Party, occupied peacefully by the Popular Leagues of the 28th. February (LP-28). The repressive forces of the National Police, the National Guard and the Police of the Treasury Department took the occupants by surprise, entering from the roofs of neighbouring houses, and shooting and killing the first group of occupants they found. Then they cut down remaining occupants, besting them savagely, along with the hostages. A member of the National Police forced a militant of the LP-28 to take off her under clothes and then inserted the musile of his G-3 rifle into her genitals while beating her and insulting her.

saying that it was they. An agent of the National Poisce then inserted the murde of his rifle in the mouth of comrade Victor and shot and killed him. Before they kelled him, however, and when he resitted he was about to be killed, comrade Victor Quintunifia said, "Comrades, he strong! Keep your movale high!!" Joine suffered the same fate and was also essassinated, as was comrade Maristela Serrano, another leader of the LP-28, who received all the shots in her gentists.

This is only a small account of the degree of cruelty and savagery of the Szivadorian Military Forces, and these repressive incidents, just as the heroism of confronting them, occur daily in El Saivador. This is the peace, the reforms, the democracy, and the Mherty that the Americans, the oligarchy and the army want to impose upon us. Ithis is the peace of death which, confused or malimentioned, the governments of venezueis, Costa Rica, West Germany, England, Spain and the countries of the "Parto Andino" are voluntarily supporting.

On behalf of all our nation we call on Annesty International, the Commission on Human Rights of the United Nations and of the Organization of American States, to visit our country and prove what we are saying. Many foreign reporters have been witnesses and, at times, almost victime of incidents such as those we have mentioned.

We also call on the International Press to visit the rural areas of our country in order to witness the cruel repression that thousands of peasant families must suffer and who in the next months will suffer as well from a terrible famine, because this repression has impeded the establishment and cultivation of their they percels of land, from which they are to survive the rest of the year.

IS CIVIL WAR A DANGER FOR OUR PEOPLE?

The argument about violence and the evils of war which for the poor and exploited have always existed, is now being used to condemn the just and heroic struggle with which the Salvadorian people have begun to defend themselves against so many years of oppression.

were disocupied, resulting in many years of oppression.

The inner court of the churches after having been captured alive.

And one last occurrence, to mention the most recent on the most recent on the mention the most recent on the ZSth Rehmary 1980 in Santo Domingo de Gummin in Sonsonate where the official version claims that our organization, the People's Revolutionary Army (ERR) suffered 15 deaths in a supposed confrontation.

The traffic of the matter is that

There are those who argue that it is the strikes and the organized activities that are responsible for the fact that there is no work and that the econo-mic crisis is growing worse.

What has in fact happened is that this organized action on the part of the people has destabi-lized the economic situation to such a degree that the oligarchy the country closing down fac-tories, selling property and creating economic bankruptcy. But it should be asked whether the solution is to accept the peace of exploitation and death that they wish to impose by eliminating the popular organi-

There is only one solution: that the people take in their hands what legitimately belong to them, the huge plantations of coffee, sugar, cotton; the huge factories, the banks and all the properties of the oligarchy; this is the defimitive solution and no other that would keep us subjected to poverty and permanent retwession is acceptable.

Now, the sectors of the murde. Now, the sectors of the marde-rous and reactionary right wing, attribute all the problems to communist subversion. They say that everything that is happening is part of a plan carefully pre-pared by International Com-munisms. But we who they call subversions have not invented. minism. But we who they call subversives have not invented 50 years of military dictatorship, nor have we invented the tortures nor the electoral fraud, nor the massacres, nor the exiles. Nor have we cheated the poor by making them believe that they are poor. and that they are hungry and needy.

they haven't been made in order to cheat anybody. They have been made so that the truth be known and so that the people prepare themselves for the con-quest of their legitimate rights.

The reactionary and fastist right is accustomed to seeing the workers as sheep and slaves to whom they do not give the right to think and to organize. And so they invent the story about subservings who want to about subvertives who want to cheat the people. They are mis-taken. The workers are no longer the same submissive people who used to put up with these humiliations, not saying anything and bowing their heads.

urbs; of multiple economic re-sources, have not sensed the grave problems of memployment and misery; don't know what it is to live in a village with the ever-present fear that the National Guard will arrive and rape the women, kill the men and steal what little they have; do not understand that the war is not just not beginning, but the war against the people began a long time ago, and that for that reason the only path open to the people is to defend them-selves with all their strength.

The assassins of the Right raise the banners of Fatherland, Liberty, God and Work, talking about the Democratic and Representative Republic. But the Fatherland they defend belong to fourteen families; their Liberty, the exploitation and humiliation of the workers; their God, the god of money, to buy consciences and covrupt the work of slavery and misery. These are not the values of our people. They are the values of a handral of oppressors and reactions its.

The Democratic Representa-tive Republic they refer to it one of fifty years of dictator-ship and the sofjection of the rights of the majority of our people to blood and builets. The Reschionary Right has the

The Restrictionary Right has the efforcitory to refer to the lazy female trash of the Feminine Fronts as "The People", when in fact they are milhing more than the wives of ambitious, opportunistic bourgeois and petty hourgeois. It is clear that the only thing this group of social parasites knows about is how to spend the money that their husbands rob from the Salvadonian workers. This social scum, that used to entertain itself with teas, canasa parties, travelling and displaying extravegance and jewellery, has had to come out on the streets to ask for the peace of cameteries. so come out on me streets to sek for the peace of cemeteries and the work of slavery for the poor, because they no longer the come of the streets are only themselves the way they once did, doe to the streets which is unfolding within our country.

And this sector constitutes a part of what is known as "The Productive Element" of our society, or the business sector, as are the children of the bourgeois families; who are now joining the rank and file of the armed rightest groups: OLC. UGB. FALCA ami others, trained by Major Roberto D'Aubuisson and the security courts. and the security comes.

AMERICAN IMPERIALISM'S PLANS FOR INTERVENTION

American Imperialism's hig worry—that a government with dissimilar interests could gain power in our country—is forcing it to put into action a plan of escalating intervention, which escalating intervention, which intervention in Salvadorian terri

State Department, C.I.A., and Pentagon—is convinced that in order to exercise control over the region, it is necessary to repress and subjugate the forces repress and subjugate the forces which in our country are struggling for revolutionary transformation amprorted by direct participation of the people in political, military and economic affairs.

this reason keeps it in power and is opposed to any plan which would exchange this disgraceful and corrupt army for a popular and revolutionary one.

American military intervention has already begun in El Salvador. Uniformed Americans, in the capacity of chiefs of operations, predictorated in the December 15th participated in the December 15th massacre of more than 100 peasants in El Congo. On January Personns in Congo on James 22rd marines in custody of the American Embassy captured two sudents, members of the Popular Revolutionary Bloc (BPR), in the ricinity of the Embassy, and later turned them over to the National Guard—a fact acknow-ledged by the person with power of attorney for the embassy. These two students are now listed as "Disappeared".

During the past few days at enormous American military mis-sion has arrived in our country: advisors and military rechnicians advisors and military rechnicians in counter-insurrection, veterans of Viet Nam, are here giving courses to officials and classes in the General Headquarters of the armed forces. Technicians in explosives in other branches of the repressive forces such as the National Police, the National Guard, and the Police of the Treasury Department, are of American nationality.

Heavy artillery, helicopters, small and large tanks with a heavy supply of munitions have arrived in the country from the United States, and Laynel.

United States and Israel.

The American plan to subjugate our country consists of the establishment of a military cordon around our country, using the armies of Honduras and Guatemala. At the same time, with the support of the Christian Democrats, who are in power, they hope that the government of Venezuela will back them and participate in the intervention with aconomic, political, and military aid, counting on the added support of the countries of the "Pacto Andino".

In recent days a military mis-In recent case a minute was don from Venezuela, headed by General Dario Murilio Andrade visited our country and met with the Minister of Defence, who is considered by all popular forces to be responsible for the major-tiv of massacres in the country since the 15th of October 1975.

The American Government is also using the Costa Rica Government to belp look for political support for the Salvaderian Government.

This whole plan is fundamental in terms of American foreign policy, since American Imperial-iem seeks to avoid international disapproval over its direct intertion, in a vest re for our country in which the intention is to systematically annihilate more than 30,000

We call upon all conscientious Americans who want an end to war, and we call upon their orga-nizations that are in favour of peace and self-determination, to support the struggle against the imposition of these criminal interpretations; plans in our imposition of these crim interventionist plans in

We call upon the people and democratic forces of Venezuela to keep from compromising the democratic ideals of their government, and not allow the government of COPEI to lend support to a government which is repressive and anti-popular, such as exists in pur contrar.

The Christian Democratic Party in our country is a group of corrupt perty politicians that does not have the least smount of popular support, the proof of which is demonstrated by a recent meeting that they amounced, which was supposedly attended by more than 100,000 persons. Even with all the official guarantees and an immense propaganda campaign only 1,000 people showed up, of whose 90 per cent were peasants who belonged to another organization (UCS), and whose leaders later made it clear that they did not support the Christian Democrats, and that they had been used and coerced into participating in the meeting. Mr Duarte, leader of the Christian Democratic Party, said that the failure was due to public fear of the nitra left and the ultra The Christian Democratic

On the other hand, there was On the other hand, mere was a demonstration on January 22md of the Union of Popular Organizations: BPR, LP-28, UDN, MEP and PAPU. Some 300,000 people participated in this demonstration, and the procession covered approximately 44 to 5 km in length.

This is an incident without precedent in the history of our country. Never before has there been a concentration of people been a concentration of people of this magninde. Even so, thousands of demonstrators were not able to attend because they had been detained or captured by military putrols in the outskirts of their villages. Aerophnes belonging to the digarchy flew over the demonstration, spraying people with insecticide, later the National Guard and National Police attacked the crowd, leaving more than 40 dead.

In spite of all this the people were not alraid that day, and the following day, January 23rd, another demonstration filled the streets. More than 50,000 people, members of the BPR, the LP-28 and the MLP, gathered to buty some of the casualties of the previous day's mussacre.

It is clear, then, that political participation of the people in political, military and economic effects.

The American Government support for a process of war knows that its principal weapon against my insurrectional group

special forces.

Any intervention in our country will only serve to bring about a cruel and merciless war against s whole ration, causing thou-sands of deaths, useless deaths as well, because it is no longer possible to deter the will of the Salvadorian people to become the author or its own historical destiny.

INSURRECTIONAL MILITARY ACTIVITY OF THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY-ERP-

The People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) constitutes part of the most advanced sectors of the population that are struggling for the liberation of our country, and that have resolutely taken up arms in this war of legitimate defence against the oppressors of

forces have intensified their actions, taking towns, villages, cantons, suburbs and sections of cities, preparing the people for the tasks of insurrection.

More than 75 military opera-tions have been carried out in recent days, and dozens of per-sons responsible for repression in different parts of the country have been executed; patrols of the National Guard, of the National Guard, the National Police and the Treasury Department Police have been attacked, resulting in casualties which are later lidden from official bulletins of the Press by the Permanent Advisory Council of the Armed Forces (COPEFA), in order to avoid demoralization of the troops and to keep from raising the morale of the people with the news of of the people with the news of the increased effectiveness of their military forces.

As part of our military

activity we have captured elements of the oligarchy in order to oblige them to pay War-Tax in exchange for their freedom. Regarding this, the reactionary right has tried to discredit the exceptionary organization by right has fried to discredit the revolutionary organization by constantly asking, "What do the subrectives do with the money from the kidmippings?". and they make accounts over what they have paid to the organizations, trying in this way to say that it has been squandered. The answer to this question is simple: the people also need money in order to wake war, and what we order to wage war, and what we have done is to recuperate part of the money that belongs to our people—which for the moment 18. the hands of the oligarchy

propagands, and in this way covers all the costs implied in the process of the People's Revolu-tionary War. The money that we for mercenary assas used for the people's conquest of

As part of our military activity, on March 3, military forces of the Central Front of our Army, "COMANDANTE RAFAEL ANTO: TO ARCE ZABLAH", under the direct command of members of our General Headquarters carried out an artillery attack against the Central barracks of the National Guard in San Salvador. In order to carry out this operation our military forces took the town of Ciudad Delgado situated on the East side of the National Guard, and with barricades and mines closed all the access routes to the town. At the same time squadrous town At the same time squadrons of artillers, using arms of 100 mm. calibre, opened fire against the barracks of troops and officials. This assault continued for 15 minutes, causing innumer-able casualties. Later, agents of the National Police who tried to descrivate the mines were killed when the mechanisms of these devices activated.

In this process of armed strugsuch as the recent inauguration of our clandestine station "RADIO REVOLUCIONARIA DEL PUEBLO", which at the moment is in the process of normalizing and regulating its transmission.

And along with this contribu-tion of ours to the struggle is added the growing limitary acti-vity of the combatants of the Popular Forces of Liberation— Farabundo Marti—(FPL), which, like our own military forces, is preparing the people for the Insurrection, through constant activities in different parts of the country. Also forming a part of activities in different parts of the country. Also forming a part of the forces of the people are the combatants of the Revolutionary Party of Central American Workers (PRTC); the armed forces of the National Resistance (FARN); and the Communist Party of El Salvador (PCS). All of these forces are advancing the of these forces are advancing the cause of the People's Revolutionary War, and are preparing the people for the insurrectional struggle which is close at hand.

THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSED BY THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY _ERP--

We propose a Popular Demo-cratic Government in which the different popular sectors will participate: revolutionaries and democrats, in a wide alliance unified a basic programme. All popular and revolutionary organizations abould participate in such a government, as well as the democratic parties, the asso-ciations of small- and middlebusiness men from the various economic sectors; those techni-cians and professionals who are honest; those patriotic and honest officials of the Army, who

are fully disposed to participate; and also the progressive elements of the clergy, all social and political sectors and others identify with the basic ramme. The fundamental elecin this alliance is full respect for the different ideologies or tendencies, and common accord con-cerning the definition of a wide popular democratic front based on the common objective at a revolution which is anti-oligarchic and anti-imperialist.

THE GOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMME PROPOSED BY THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY-ERP-

The changes implemented by the Popular Democratic Govern-ment will embrace every aspect of the social, political and econo-

Expropriation without right to indemnization of all properties in the hands of the oligar-chy in the different economic levels, and their subsequent re-distribution as collective, communal, or state properties.
This measure infers the realization of Agrarian, Industrial and Urban Reforms, without affecting the small—and middle—businessman to whom incentives and support are

Expropriation of all imperial-ism enterprises, and the abandonment of all treaties which subject our country to economic dependence.

Management of the national economy on the basts of a system of national planning which embraces all branches, sectors and regions. Organization of an economic system based on collective pro-perty, communal property, state property, and private holdings of small and medium

-Nationalization of the export of coffee, cotton, sugar and other products.

-Nationalization of the financial Nationalization of the production of electrical energy and the refinement of petroleum. -Creation of a national transit system, based on cooperatives, small businessmen, and a state transit corporation. Nationali-tation of the import of transit

Socialization of medicine, including free medical attention and free medicine for all Salvadorians, and the implementation of an intensite beo-

education. making it free for all people -Development of m

grammes for the construction of rural and urban housing, and the establishment of plans to contain immeration.

Development of a massive liter-

Political Considerations: Creation of a new army with popular orientation and pro-found revolutionary conviction.

composed of: a) The popular insurrectional b) The patriotic military sec-tors of the National Army disposed to defend revolu-

tionary conquests with a new mentality based on patriotic and social interest. The dissolution of the security and the creation of popular defence committees to safeguard the immediate interests of the people. Established on new local power structures, based on direct and permanent popular

Abolition of the Political Con-stitution, and the dissolution of the existing judicial system, in order to establish a new legal order based on popular

treaties of a pro-imperialist nature, such as CONDECA, TIAR and others considered to be instruments of intervention. -The integration of our country into the Non-Aligned Movement, and the establish-ment of relations with all ment of relations with all countries in agreement with revolutionary principles and national interests, regardless of ideology or social system. The firm defence of an inde-

pendent international policy, which is in favour of the selfdetermination of all countries, and showing solidarity to those countries that are struggling for the exercise of this right. Guarantee the people's right to practise the religious faith of their choice.

-Guarantee the freedom of ex-expression. TO ALL NATIONS OF THE

We call on all nations of the world to offer material, political and militant solidarity to the people of El Salvador, who in

We would also like to send francial revolutionary greetings from the trenches of combat of our homeland to all the nations of Asia, Africa and Latin America, who are fighting sgainst Imperialism, each in its

REVOLUTIONARY FORCES, KEY TO POPULAR VICTORY

The history of our country presents in this moment for her revolutionary forces an enor-mous commitment to the future and the liberation of our people.

Any effort in this struggle would be in vain if it were and directed towards a real, legitimate process of revolutionary unity. This necessitates the full and total concurrence of all forces which in these past few years have consolidated the organic, political and military structures of the Salvadorian revolutionary struggle. It his regard we welcome the process of only which has begun to take place among the popular and revolutionery organization. sity for unity as a historical requisite in this moment, and for this reason we are opposed to any proposal which excludes unity. We are also upposed to expressions of immaturity and subjectivity that could obstruct a real process of unification.

In the struggle for unity our organization has, in these past few years, known how to maintain a clear position in respect to the other organizations, and in this regard we have made an effort to explain to them the essence of our position, without essence of our position, without underrating or discrediting these other forces. We believe that it other forces. We beserve that it is the duty of the organized sectors of the population to demand of their revolutionary forces a level of conduct which is increasingly mature; that they inspire confidence in the Salvadorian people, and in those vadorian people, and in those parious which offer us their solidarity; so that in our country there exists a revolutionary movement that is ready to responsibility of guiding our people to victory. This is the task that the most thoroughly prepared elements among the organized Salvadorians must assume the enormous historical organized Salvadorians must perform at this moment, so that together they will compose the future vanguard of the Salva-dorian Revolution.

We greet the heroic comrades of the Popular Forces of Liberation—PPL—Farabundo Marti; and we applaude the maturity and profound conviction they are showing in this moment : likewise we greet the comrades of the Salvadorian Communist Party. PCS, who for a long time have

We salute the growing force of the comrades of the Revolu-tionary Party of Central Ameri-can Workers (PRTC), and we also creet the comrades of the also greet the comrades of National Resistance (RN).

Finally, to the Salvadorian people and to all nations of the world, we readfirm OUR UNALTERABLE DECISION TO FIGHT FOR THE REVOLUTION IN OUR COUNTRY UNTIL:

CONQUEST OR DEATH

LONG LIVE THE UNITY OF ALL THE POPULAR FORCES !! LONG LIVE THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY-ERP!! LONG LIVE THE CENTRAL FRONT "COMMANDER RAFAEL ANTONIO ARCE ZABLAH " ! !

LONG LIVE THE EASTERN FRONT "COMMANDER MIGUEL ANGEL GAMEZ " ! ! LONG LIVE THE WESTERN FRONT "COMMANDER EDGAR

ANTONIO SALMERON "!! LONG LIVE THE EAST-CENTRAL FRONT " COMMANDER LEONEL AREVALO MARTINEZ " ! !

GLORY TO THE HERORS OF THE NATION FALLEN IN THE

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY (ERP)

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Commander JORGE ANTONIO MELENDEZ Commander ANA SONIA MEDINA

Commander JUAN RAMON MEDRANO Commander OCTAVIO PONCE

Legionnaires' disease organism found at Corby hotel after earlier tests had proved negative

There was no danger of an epidemic of legionnaires' search. The staff wanted to disease because it was not come municable from one person to another, experts on the disease said yesterday.

But people who had stayed in the past three weeks at the Strathclyde Hoel, Corby, Northamproushire, where the germ had been found in the water supply, should get in touch with their doctors if they fel ill. The normal incubation time of the pneumonia-type disease was three to 10 days, and it was

possible that someone was suffering from the disease and being treated with the wrong

Dr Spence Galbraith, director of the Communicable Disease Surveillance Centre at Colindale, north London, said that the centre had been alerted last May, when a member of a golfing parry who had stayed at the hotel was found to be suffering from the disease.

All the other 50 members of

the group were given blood tests and one other was found to have some slight evidence of the disease. The hotel, the group's golf club, and the factory at which some of the men worked were all tested for the disease, but the tests proved

. Dr Galbraith said that since then tests had improved and when the horel yes tested again recently with a more sophisti-cated technique the organism was 'discovered.

The centre intended to get Hotel yesterday, water en-in touch with everyone who had gineers and specialists from the

had had the disease with many had had the disease with-out knowing it, to discover the risks involved.

They hoped to obtain a specimen from Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, who had stayed at the hotel

The disease was caught by inhaling the spray of infected water, by using a shower, for water, by using a shower, for example. It was not caught by drinking the water, because it was the lungs that got infected. There had been about 200 separate cases of the disease in Britain since theorganism was isolated early in 1977, and about 25 people had died, he

Dr Terence Geffen, a senior doctor from the Department of Health and Social Security, said that the disease varied greatly in severity and it was possible to have it without knowing it.

It affected old people and people and heavy smokers and drinkers most. It also seemed to affect men more than women. In several of the recorded outbreaks in the United States, infected water had been traced to air-conditioning systems. The next isue of the weekly bulletin sent by the department to area health authorities would give details of the Corby incident.

Arthur Osman writes from Corby: Behind the locked doors of the seven-storey Strathclyde

lance Centre in Landon com-pleted the sterilizing of the notel water system.

Heavily chlorinated and treated water was allowed to remain in pipes and tanks for many hours before being flushed

through by thousands of gallons of fresh water.

The hotel will reopen today and Mr Adam Page, managing director of the owners, Foste and Page Ltd, Nottingham, said: The thing that is most important is to assure customers that there is no danger.

"None of the staff has suffered any symptoms, and unless anyone visiting the hotel has

shown symptoms in the three to ten-day incubation period they, too, are all right."

Mr John Glover, another official of the company, said that all the 47 staff, including the manager and his family and five others who lived in, had

It is important for us to assure patrons that this is not contained in drinking water. I understand it is taken in through the eyes and mouth, which suggests bathing, showering and teeth cleaning as the passible cause."

possible cause. At Kettering General Hospital special staff handled calls from all over Britain from for-mer hotel guests. It is thought that up to 1,500 will need to be checked. The hospital told callers that if their hotel stay was more than two weeks ago and they had not suffered any symp-toms there was probably noth-ing to worry about.

Denver doctor ascribes known outbreaks A theory that the symptoms of legionnaires' disease do not result from a virulent bacillus but from a chemical spray used on hotel rooms has been pur forward to the country and the country after the disease had been the country after the disease had been the country after the country after the disease had been the country after the country after the country after the country after the disease had been the country after the disease had been the country after the disease to chemical spray used in guest rooms

forward by a former assistant professor of medicine from Denver, Colorado.

breaks, five in the United States and one in Benidorm, Spain, were highly suggestive of acute toxicity from an airborne chemical agent and had none of the features of ordinary bacterial transmission.

Why has there never been any secondary infection of those in close contact with pneumonic patients? And why did some of the fatal cases the bacillus nor the antibodies

He recounts how he and his

He was surprised therefore when the illness among 200 legionnaires at a hotel in Phila-Dr Hywel Davies, writing in delphia in 1976 was put down the current edition of World to a bacillus. He found unconMedicine, says that six out- vincing the information provided at an international confer-

ence o the disease held in

Atlanta, Georgia in November,

Although it was true that the microbe could be isolated and grown in pure cultures, the microbe had not been recoverable from a high proportion of patients suffering from the dis-

Diagnosis was widely made by a series of immunological tests, but their validity was open to question, he says. Dr Davies says that three outJuly, 1973, when 83 Scottish holidaymakers were affected; and in Philadelphia, Pennsyl-

vania, in September, 1974. Subsequent to the outbreak among the legionnaires, two others occurred: 21 cases in Bloomington, Indiana in the spring of 1978, and an epi-demic at a golf club in Atlanta, Georgia, in July, 1978.

Dr Davies admits that a certain organism exists and is widespread in nature. But he does not think it is a virulent primary cause of disease of the

order claimed.

Dr Davies fails to point out, however, that the disease does respond to antibiotics, which suggests that it is caused by a

Five years for three found guilty of corruption

From Our Correspondent Edinburgh

Thomas Moore, aged 54, a Thomas Moore, aged 54, a former lord provost of Dundse, lames Stewart, aged 49, a former bailie, and John Maxwell, aged 51, a businessman, were each jailed at the High Court in Edinburgh yesterday for five years after being found guilty of corruption.

Mr Stewart and Mr Moore were also banned from holding public office for seven years. Appeals are to be lodged next

Passing sentence, Lord Kincraig said: Corruption in the affairs of local authorities strikes at the integrity of democratic government."

After the trial ended jurors were individually interviewed by detectives in private in the High Court. On Wednesday a woman juror was discharged by certain information about an alleged incident.

Before the jury of 14 people retired to consider their verdict Lord Kincraig warned them m ignore anything they might have been told by the juror. Det Chief Inspector Robert Darling, who is heading the inquiry regarding the jurors, said: Police inquiries are continuing following the discharge of a juror at the trial."

The jury found Mr Stewart, Mr Maxwell and Mr Moore guilty of corruptly soliciting and receiving gifts, fees, re-wards and advantages as induce-ments for Mr Stewart and Mr Moore using their power and influence as members of Dun-dee Corporation to bring about the award of the £5m Wellgate development, in Dundee, to clients of John D. Wood, estate agents, of London, and to Crud-

They also found Mr Stewart guilty of corruptly soliciting from Crudens rew: ds and advantages, namely the award of subcontracts to Abertav Elec trical Ltd., a company of which he was a director.

The subcontracts were said to have arisen from contracts worth nearly £16m awarded to Crudens and were said to be inducements for Mr Sterrart using his influence on the council in the award of the contracts to Crudens.

Mr Stewart was also found guilty of corruptly soliciting and receiving travel empenses accommodation valued at for a London visit from John D. Wood.

Mr Maxwell was found guilty of corruptly soliciting and re-ceiving £6,320 for himself and Mr Moore from John D. Wood after Mr Moore used his influence to award the Wellgate contract to clients of Wood.

Birds of passage' from Strasbourg say they do not get chance to eat

Euro MPs may get limited access to Commo just to get baked beaus of and a cup of test occase. I am not asking for an dining rooms of and asking for an dining rooms of an an analysis.

Members of the European
Parliament representing United
Kingdom constituencies will no
longer be treated as "straingers" at the Palace of Westminutes if respectively.

minster if recommendations of the House of Commons Services. committee published vesterdey are approved by the Commons.

They will be allowed a pass giving them access to various parts of the House, bur not the hiembers' Lobby, the use of facilities at the Commons branch library in the Norman Shaw building on Victoria Embankment, and reserved seats.

in the strangers' gallery.

They will be able to ear in the cafeteria available to members of the public, but not in the members' bars or dining rooms unless invited by a Westminster MP. Arguing for the right to get baked beans and a cup of rea on their occasional visits. Mrs Barbara Castle, the former Cabinet minister, who is leader of the British Labour group at Strasbourg, asked the Committee.

tee: "Are we such strangers, such lepers, such people from Duter space that we cannot have this facility?.
"Is it saking too much to go and have a cup of tea in the strangers' cafeteria, or even go into the strangers' bar and, if

me buy you a drink ?"

Mrs Castle and Mr Basil de Ferranti, representing the Con-MEPs, emphasized the need for close consultation with MPs and ministers at Westminster, and for access to the Commons

library.
Collaboration was difficult when EMPs came over and had when EMPs came over and had no queue with the general public sending in "green cards" by attendants in order to meet a Westminster MP.

Access to the library was part of the process of forming natural links between the two sens of MPs. Mrs Castle said. "I

am glad to say that many mini-sters are now briefing us on matters in the interests of our country which are coming up the European Parliament. "An obvious one is Britain's "An obvious one is Sritam's contribution to the European budget. It is a double-pronged battle, partly fought in Westminster and also fought in Strasbourg, so we are getting briefings on everything that is coming up."

She supported what Mr de Ferranti said about very few of the 31 United Kingdom EMPs ever attending the Commons at one time. "We are usually birds of passage, here for a very short time, mostly one day a week in

"It would be useful if we could pop into the vote office you run into one of your col-

London.



Mrs Castle: "We are not strangers from space."

and pick something up, if we could have the latest statement on steel before we go to be cross-examined by Commisoner d'Avignon.

"It is these things", she told the Commons committee, "that would enable us to integrate our work more closely with yours and make it more effective in the national interest."

One remark by Mrs Castle was revealing: "Everybody thinks we own a massive gravy train, but I have found that we never get a chance to eat. There is never any food served on planes, and it would be nice

The facilities offered trial basis" fall far s what Mrs Castle requer behalf of her groep, wanted night of access; the Commons library, mentary papers free of (the committee recon that they should have a right of access to mini the same way as MPs; the House of Commo park; and passes to allow taries of MEPs to end Palace of Westminster Same basis as that aron Westminster MPs secret Mr. Regrets Montagene Mr Fergus Montgomes servative MP for Alu and Sale, was puzzled request for car parking Mrs Castle had said tha were "birds of passage they wanted to park can Lord Aberdare, chair committees in the Ho Lords, explained that the

were enxious to keep with the Commons. The waiting for o decision for Commons before they as It seems probable if MEPs will be offered as the Lords, with the use Peers Guest Room reserved seats in the ci fecond Report from the Committee on House

Danger of measles as a disease of adults

By Our Medical Correspondent Measles could become d disease of adults rather than children in the next decade

That warning is given in an article today in the British Medical Journal by Dr Hillas Smith, consultant physician at Coppetts Wood Hospital, Muswell Hill, London, and an expert on infectious diseases.

noinstituummi Routine against measles has cut the number of cases notified each year in Britain from an average of 250,000 to 50,000, Dr Smith says, but many children are not being given the vaccine. If Britain follows the same pattern as the United States

where measles vaccination began 10 years before it became available here, the disease will become increasingly common in adults; 65 per cent of patients with measles in the United States are now over 10

years old. The change is partly because vaccination has reduced prevalence of measles.

making contact with the disease less likely in childhood, and partly because of a waning of the immunity provided by vaccination, so that reenagers be-come susceptible again as they

The policy in Britain is for measles vaccine to be offered to all children aged two, but in practice the offer is taken up very haphazardly, Dr Smith says. As a result there is no chance of eliminating the disease completely (as hap-pened for example, with polio-myelitis) but a generation of children is growing up many of whom may be susceptible to measles as adults.

A more reasonable policy. Dr Smith says, would be to restrict measles vaccination to children in whom the disease would be especially hezardous, those with chronic chest disease, exemple, and to allow other children to acquire measles naturally. That would remove the risk of measles becoming a widespread adult disease and incidentally save money at present spent on vaccination.

Union backs Jail for open government

By Peter Hennessy. The Institution of Professional Civil Servants, the union representing Whitehall's scientists, technicians and specialists, has issued a consultative paper to its branches recomme support for a more open system of government and a British freedom of information Act.

As a first step it urges the Government to strengthen the Whitehall instruction on openness, the Croham Directive, "so that the discretion of the minister in deciding that background material should not be disclosed is strictly limited".

The paper was drafted by

The paper was drafted by Mrs Valerie Ellis, an assistant secretary with the institution, in response to a resolution passed at its annual conference last year recognizing the need for a freedom of information Act.
The institution is more en-

thusiastic about open govern-ment than the Association of First Division Civil Servants, representing senior admini-strators, which, none the less, es The Times reported yester-day, has been advised by an open government subcommittee of its executive that "the Eivil Service could probably live with a freedom of information Act without too much difficulty".

Mrs Ellis suggests, however, that the anonymity and impar-tiality of the Civil Service possible. Publication of some scientific and technical reports

giving expert advice to mini-sters may need to be deferred, she adds. Leading article, page 17 proper one."

police instructor Chief

Abraham, aged 45, head South Wales police school, was sent to pr Cardiff Crown Court ye for nine months for w Justice Phillips describ most sppallingly da piece of driving. He w two years. Mr Abraham was foun

of causing the death motorist, aged 69, by driving. He pleaded not The jury were told ! Abrahem had combi journey to a colleague's instructors. He admitted times they had exceed mph, and at the time accident, on the A48 to Cardiff trunk road, overtaking a line of tr between 65 and 70 mpl He saw a Mini 100 ahead waiting to turn ri tried to stop, but the po skidded. He swerved to side in an attempt to get the Mini, but struck coming from the oppes ection. The driver died t

day.

Mr Justice Phillips,
sentence, told, Mr A) who has 25 years' service police: "Nothing could fully aware of the unic position in which you but regretfully I have (the conclusion that only tence of imprisonment

Experts combine to solve: 'Bristol hum' mystery

Noise experts are planning an all-night attempt to beat the Bristol hum."

Bristol's environmental health officers and Rolls-Royce experts are combining to try to identify

They will use sensitive tape-recording devices worth more than £30,000 at eight locations throughout the city next month. The all-night project will be

a further 100 complaints. The letters had inch wide range of descripti quently reported between night and 6 am. It mit related to what was call British hum", a free reported, low-frequency, heard throughout the ca "We know there is a in the north of the city, a ing from the Severnside We are now trying to es whether it is an industria that can be neard throi the city", Mr Evans said

mental health officer, sa

Labour council party invitation

Sheffield
Sheffield City Council is to reject an invitation for 18 representatives to attend this year's royal garden pary at Buckingham Palace.

The Labour-controlled council has decided that the money which would have been spent on train fares and other expenses should be saved in view of the economic climate.

Opposition councillors will be mostly affected, because in the past Labour councillors have not taken up the invitations, but have left them to Conservatives and Liberals.

The lord and lady mayoress

From Our Correspondent Police have reported a ford student for causing net damage to the hit after a hand-painted crossing appeared in the High Street.

on timeeny Lister, 2 in common room president at yersity College, said yester. It was probably no a dence that this college others held rugby clar dron Wednesday night."

Baggage delay for Prince

Oxford driver

line fools

Hand-painted

The crossing, outside U sity College, fooled driver many stopped to allow I trians across a busy road there is no official crossing. In a way line, was painted before when a policeman nonce Council workmen were I to remove the paint yesse. Mr Timochy Lister, a

ing despite being first off flight while airline staff it her baggage. As she waited at the box Princess Margaret flew home

by economy class on Wednesday night after a holiday on the West Indian island of Mustique.

The princess, who arrived at Heathrow airport on board a British Airways' VC-10 aircraft from New York, was kept wait- luggage.



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Silent start for TV at breakfast

By Kenneth Gosling A limited form of television. at breakfast-time has been started by the BBC with the prospect that it could become permanent if the public is sufficiently interested. ___

It began on Wednesday on BBC 1 and consists of a 30-minute relay between 8.30 and I am of a dozen or so pages from the BBC's full Ceefax serrice of news and information.

No sound is involved and the pages, which contain traffic news, sport and general news headlines and an accurate time check, are taken from the nor-mal teletext transmissions. It was conceded yesterday

an element of whetting the public's appetite for the full service and inducing them to buy teletext decoders. buy teletext decoders.

It was also emphasized that at present it is merely an engineering test. But Mr Bill Cotton, controller of BBC 1, said: "As the Ceefax news team begins work at 6 am each day, we thought we might make some general use of their output and show the public something of what teletext can

something of what teletext can "If the public likes reading these Ceefax pages, we might turn it into something more

permanent."

Sets capable of receiving the full transmissions of more than 400 pages of text first became generally available at the end of 1978. By the end of last year there were 42,000 receivers in use. The present estimate is 50,000, with a monthly increase of between 3,500 and 4,000.

By Our Arts Reporter.

Mrs Mary Whitehouse, hon-orary secretary of the National Viewers' and Listeners' Asso-ciation, presided yesterday over what she described as "one of the craziest press conferences I have ever held".

It was in St Bride's Church, in Pleet Street, to introduce a television monitoring project carried out during a week in January by a dozen student teachers and graduate students.

at Westminster College, Oxford, and coordinated by Mr Michael Hastings, an honours graduate in theology

in theology.

In that week they noted 1,124 incidents (annual rate 58,448) of swearing, blasphemy, drinking, smoking, vulgar jokes, violence and sexual activity.

Of these, 28.8 per cent were on BBC 1, 23.1 per cent on BBC 2 and 48.1 per cent on independent television. Of all

Whitehouse code 'broken

1,124 times in a week'



Maggie Wilson and Jeremy Lawrence, of the BBC Northern Ireland Orchestra, protesting in Belfast yesterday at the proposed disbanding of the orchestra.

Reconsider cuts, staff tells BBC

By Our Arts Reporter

Unions representing most of the BBC's 28,000 staff have made a joint statement calling on the corporation to withdraw its proposed £130m cuts in expenditure and urge the Govern-ment to make full use of its borrowing powers.
The Federation of Broadcast-

ing Unions also wants urgent consideration to be given to how

the offensive material noted

38.8 per cent was shown before 9 pm, or during family viewing time, and 54.4 per cent of all vulgar jokes had been screened before that time.

Mrs Whitehouse claimed that the figures called for govern-ment action and that the broad-

casting authorities should make them their focal concern.

The statement says that the BBC's bandling of the notification of the proposal economies showed "a degree of incompetence matched only by its grave, discourtesy to the unions". The federation said that it believed that the BBC's plans had implications beyond questions of emolorment. of employment.

"It must surely be a matter for public concern that the BBC should continue to provide tele-vision and radio programmes of high quality for majority and minority audiences, and should continue to operate throughout the United Kingdom and meet its charter obligation to inform, educate and entertain.

"To majorain its position and

compete effectively with inde-pendent television and radio,

From Our Correspondent

aging director of Southern Television, told an industrial tribunal yesterday that indusrial disruption amounted to "almost anarchy" in the 10week independent television strike in Southampton.

"There is an intransigence about the broadcasting authorities", she said, "that allows their codes of conduct to become little more than public relations exercises".

Asked whether the figures are the figures are the figures. He denied that his company had victimized union members who were locked out in the dispute. proved that her campaign had been a total failure. Mrs White-house said it had to be set against what was happening

everywhere else, on bookstalls and in films. "£34 for This" (National Viewers' and Listeners' Associ-ation, Ardleigh, Colchester, Essex, CO7 7RH - 50p).

Southern TV chief talks of strike 'anarchy'

Mr Frank Copplestone, man-

Two members of the National Association of Television and Kinematograph Employees (Natke) have brought an action against Southern Television for locking them out during the strike and for not paying back.

pay afterwards. The test case at Southampton industrial tribunal has been brought by Mrs Pat Moon, secretary to an STV executive, and by Mr Philip Shearsmith, an STV accountant.

the BBC must be adequately financed. The federation con-

siders that the BBC has shown

a marked lack of courage in the

face of the fact that it has been provided with finance which is considers to be inadequate

Journalists employed in London radio, including the BBC's home and external services and the commercial London Broadcasting. Company, have decided that as a last resort they would black out all radio news in protest against the BBC's proposed cuts. The

the BBC's proposed cuts. The move would be made only if

negotiations broke down. Mr John Poster, broadcasting

officer of the National Union of Journalists, said last night:
"We believe the battle to be political rather than industrial.

A fighting fund was set up are secretaries, make-up girls and backroom technicians, to pay for Mr Andrew Thompson, a barrister, to fight their case. Southern Television called

Mr Copplestone as their first witness: He told the tribunal: "We had disruption amounting to almost anarchy at times. We locked union members out in an artempt to bring negotiations of a proper core lusion. It tions to a proper conclusion. It was not an attack on Natke or its members."

Mr Copplestone said that it was part of the negotiations that back pay would not be paid when an agreement was reached. Since Mrs Moon and Mr Shearsmith agreed with the final settlement document, they could not expect back pay.

his department had r more than 60 complaint The hum, or hiss, as some residents describe it, has been plaguing areas of the city for residents. He believed t Arthur Palmer, MP for North-East, and chairman parliamentary Science an the past two years. Experts have made several vain attempts to nology Committee, had re trace the source.

the low-frequency sound, which has given many Bristolians sleepless nights.

aimed at pinpointing the hum and building up a noise picture of the city at night. Mr Gareth Evans, environ-

rejects royal From Our Correspondent Sheffield

The lord and lady mayoress for 1980-81, Councillor and Mrs William Owen, may still attend the garden party on one of three days in July. They are exempt from the ruling

of an aircraft jetty, prote-from the cold air only by

etrial of murderer ouses passions on bolition of guillotine

n Charles Hargrove s, Murch 13

se retrial this week before foulouse assizes of the only daing man under sentence esth in French prisons has again brought the oppo-s and supporters of capital shment into public conflict. hen the court passed a mee of life imprisonment M Norbert Garceau, they ed their passions in a burst pplause for the defence or

shouts of protest against jury and threats to do ce themselves. firrer, aged 53. M Garceau been arrested for repeating me he had committed more 25 years ago. He was then emned to life imprisonment the assizes of the Hautes nees, for raping and lering a girl of 15.

thing in M Garceau's life

character, investigated time rts, pointed to the pathual criminal. A rether ved individual, he suffered no psychic disorders or bral damage, but he had tulty in controlling his al urges. However, he was sex manner, in the medical of the term, one of the res testified.

rts testified.

st as he had been a good r—he served as a quarter er in the navy in Indo-a—and a good warker, he ed out to be a model der during the 20 years he light of his sentence.

prieved in 1960 for good uct, he got a job as a firter, ied, and had a child. "He good for my daughter and if, an excellent hisband, teither drank nor smoked, to do odd jobs about the e", his wife wrote in a r to the court. He was in regarded as a model of l rehabilitation by the pro-a officers who looked after

t in January 1978, he lered again, this time a w worker of 28, mother of children, who refused his nees. Tried a second time he Tarn assizes in June, he was servered to darch he was sentenced to death, he applause of the public.

Paris court of appeal hed the verdict on some siculty last October, and ed a retrial. That is why other Carenau was in court orbert Garcean was in court nurder for the third time

e psychiatrists were usly baifled by the case, found the beginning of an nation in his experiences rocities during the war in

t branded me forever", be the court. "It changed my wrer." At this, the public cutor, M. Raymond Dhers, imed: "If all the men who fought in Indo-China, is or elsewhere, and beard ned offender; he had

"You cannot be rehabilitated", he insisted. 'You are a dangerous man, and you will do it again, even if you get out of jail only on the threshold of old age. I consider there are limits when the protection of society imposer this degree.

The jury of five women and four men, in their thirties, was obviously swayed by the eloquent defence of Maitre Badinter, a passionate opponent of the death pensity. He argued that M Garceau's act in itself eliminated the prosecution's theory of premeditarion. "This act was his own undoing as well as his victim's. And his whole life protests against it. If you agree to kill Garceau, you will decide to kill a man who, with wish to commit this act. You are asked to cut a man in two. who, in two moments of mad-ness, yielded to the human beast within him. You are asked to render the disturbing justice of elimination."

"Garceav is a murderer and deserves death." a man trembling with rage shouted from the public gallery. As the jury retired, another made a dash for Maitre Eadinter and grabbed him by the collar. "You have no right to ask for a reprieve. He has killed, he must die," he exclaimed

the abolitionists in the court-room, which greeted the summing-up of the defence, unleashed the protests of the anti-abolitionists. The father and brother of the victim, and relatives of three young women killed by gunmen in a supermarket on New Year's Eve. waved newspaper arricles, and appealed to the public for sup-

control the tumult, to order the evacuation of the court. Guards rushed to protect Mairre Badinter and separate the family of the victim from the rest of the crowd. When the jury returned with its verdict, someone screamed: "What you have not dared to do, we shall if ever he gets out of prison".

rush the matter of abolition. Passions are too strong, in its view, to allow a reasoned dis-cussion of the issue. Now that

sentences were passed in this country. Twenty-seven were confirmed, eight carried out. The

Commission

other areas—particularly on France's demands for protection of its sheepfarmers, the share-out of EEC fish catches, and

out of EEC rish catches, and this year's Community farm price settlement, where France is seeking an overall price increase of at least 4 to 5 per

Hitherto, Mrs Thatcher has always resisted this approach, organing that Britain's budget deficit is a clear injustice which deserves rackess on its own merits. The French insist, how-

ever, that Britain cannot expect other member states to make a financial sacrifice without

something in return.

feel the pinch

From David Wood Strasbourg, March 13 Mme Simone Veil, President

of the European Parliament, and the managerial bureau were brought face to face today with the financial realities of the deadlock over the community budget for, 1980.

ine deadlock over the community budget for 1980.

In a private meeting they had to consider cancelling the special plenary session in Strasbourg arranged for March 24 to 26 to build member of presents.

26, to build up public pressure on the Council of Ministers on both the budget and the containment of expenditure on the

common agricultural policy.
There is no money available

to pay for the extra plenary session. On a vote of five to

four a proposal to cancel the

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session was defeated,

starts to

ries of victims, behaved in vay, where would we be? President of the Republic. No one has been beheaded by the tated his second crime. 1977. russels marks time

EEC budget war

Michael Hornsby bourg, March 13

So far. however, the Commission has deliberately refrained from suggesting the amount by which it thinks Britain's budget deficit should be cut back. This is because Mr Roy Jenkins, the Commission's President, knows in would be impossible to get agreement from his colleagues on anything like what Mrs. pourg Marca 13

cponding to the latest
h moves in the dispute
Britain's contribution to
iEC budget, the European
dission said today that it
tot clear whether it would useful" to submit a formal isal for a solution before text European summit on agreement from his consequents on anything like what Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the British Prime Minister, is demanding, and he does not want to limit her room for manoeuvre at the 31 and April 1 in

e French Government ves-y declared that unless a proposal was forth-ing in time to allow full aratory discussions of all ssues, France would refuse ousider at the Brussels vit any scheme for reduc-Britain's large net budget ibution. The British budget it is forecast to reach Om this year. e Commission spokesman

The Commission today reserved its right to submit "new ideas and proposals" before the summit, but gave no indication what form these might take. At most, it appears, the Commission night draw up a list of specific EEC spending projects in Britain, with estimates of their cost.

Freuch officials insist that any solution to the budget dispute must be linked to counterconcessions from Britain in other areas—particularly on tained that it was "not the practice" to make a practice" to make a al proposal at this stage dispute of this kind. The all procedure, he said, the for a decision of tiple to be taken by heads wernment, after which the mission could put forward fit proposals to give effect

e Commission submitted a r to the Council of Mini-last month suggesting that ecial credit line should be ed in the EEC budger which to channel extra in Fritzin, It identiaditure in Britain. It identitransport infrastructure, coal industry, urban re-l and Northern Ireland 25 lost suitable areas for such

iton appointed | Euro-Parliament UN panel on te abductions

Our Correspondent va, March 13

count Colville of Culross. British delegate to the d Nations Human Rights ussion has been appointed estern member of the fivegroup that will investigate of people who have dis-red in state organized ab-

method of disposing of opponents has been in many countries in re-

other members are Senor (Costa Rica), Mr Kwadwo ekye (Ghana), Mr Muhamal-Jabiri (Iraq) and Mr oserski (Yugoslavia). The will have its first meet-

his will of a free man, did not

exclaimed.

The thunder of applause from

The judge tried in vain to

rourt and the increasing inclina-rion of Frenchmen to take justice in their own hands on the grounds that offical justice is powerless to protect life and property effectively, do not incline the Government to

there is no one under sentence of death in French prisons, it can afford to play for time.

And time is undoubtedly, if slowly, working for abolition.

Between 1968 and 1978, 39 death contences were nassed in this

defends

A scale model of the imal plan for the site of los Holles. when the protection of society imposes this decision. That is replace was unveiled by it why I demand the death penalty.

The interest of five signer, and

not specify whether by that date, the trees of the parden

press conference.

"It will be magnificent," M
Chirac said enthusiasticalle,
The garden would be neither
English for French. The "vegotal architecture" gave the paths of the garden the appearance of streets, so that it would be both an open space and a communetion, the space available would

square yards.

The diversity of the design carried out by Louis Arretche, the architect, Francois Lalanna. the sculptor, would not destroy the harmony of the whole thanks to the architectural greenery hordering the walks.

incongenously close to the church of St Fusione, and

soon after his election as tioning for the various under-mover, a block of fluts will be ground installations, the com-

boilt with farades fitting mercial forum, sports centre, services,

aquarium, and

M Chejae has not given his final approval to the plans for the 280-room hotel, office ead ren and definitive plan are the residential block to the south. cluster of steel and glass. He did not want, he said, a combrelias to the north and set of fortifications. dominious of the forum. They are light and airy structures which events, they will be of the same height as the present buildings.

President of troubled university

From Our Own Correspondent Peris, March 13

Vincennes University, or Parls VIII as it is called since the reform of higher education roted under pressure of the audents' and workers' revolt in May 1958, is once again plunged into crisis.

The only open university in France has known many other crites in its short but troubled history of strikes, clashes between right and left-wing neticists, occupation of pro-mises, controversial courses, in sendogy, harbouring of rura-way minors, and open peddling of drugs on the campus

This is not to mention the plan of the Minister for Universities in banish it to new premises at Saint-Denis, a dreary suberg north of Paris

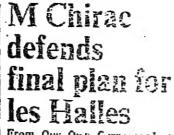
al Pierre Merlin, the presidone of the university since 1976, announced his resignation on television last night.

on television last mg/r.

Two days earlier he had been kidnopped and hald for nearing 12 hours in his office at the university by a group of extremists, students, professor, and even some members of the governing body in an attempt to compact him to restaind to to compel him to rescind a decision made in December to take legal action egainst seven

site. His decision to resign was taken after the majority of the members of the university coun-cil had handed in their resigna-





From Our Own Correspondent Paris, March 13 the old central markets of Paris which proved much easier in The project is to be com-pleted by 1984, although he did

which are its dominant charac-teristic will be as fully groun as they appear on the model. The advantage of the "butanied facades" of trellised creepers which are a feature of this "vegetal architecture", as its designers call it, is that it grows quickly, he told a recent press conference.

than in a poetic form of the city.

Behind the walls of vegetathe laid out to respond to the different needs of the panela-tion, For children there would be a play area of about 5,000

Pancramic view of a scale model of the final plan for the side of les Halles in Paris-Instead of the bold modern innocuously and inconspictates building of seel and glass by into the perspective of the old the Spanish architect Bolds, bases, further to the east, which was to have been put up. If will conceal the monatrons church of St Furnache, and which at Chicae turned dawn

power mant crected along the rue Rembuteau benind it to provide heating and air condi-tioning for the various under-

one of the narelites of the

WEST EUROPE____

Bretons cite 'shadow of Kabul'

Dead rats and manure in nuclear protest

From Ian Murray Plogoff, Brittany, March 13 Three dead rates bung by their tails from a crude wooden cross nailed to the too of a telephone pole. Even the gale force winds blowing in from the

force winds blowing in from the Atlantic were not enough to carry away the heavy stench of farmyard manure.

A young soldier clung to the telephone pole making desperate lunges with one freezing hand at the wooden cross and the rats. His officer shouted encouragement: "Just think, today, they have remembered to bring us something to af

lt was half past six this morning, and daylight was just beginning to lighten the heavy storm clouds. For the past six weeks the soldiers and riot police have been facing every morning the unpleasant task of cleaning up the filthy garbage-streem lawby at Tropper inst strewn lay-by at Trogor, just outside Plogoff, so that a mobile

public inquiry can be held.

The inquiry is into the building of what is planned to be the biggest nuclear power station in France on the granite cliffs, two miles east of the Pointe-du-Raz, the western-most tip of mainland France.

This area is the ancient king-dom of Cornouaille (Cor-nouailles, with an s, is the French name for Cornwall), and there are enough wind-swept heaths of yellow broom, narrow lanes, and stone cot-tages to make the most homesick denizen of Sennen

feel at home.

The project to build a 5,200 power megawatt nuclear power station here is having the same

station here is having the same antagon'st reception as might be expected were a similar plan suggested for the cliffs two miles from Land's End.

M Jean-Marie Kerloch, the mayor of Plogoff, has refused permission for the inquiry documents to be kept in his town hall, which is why the inquiry has to be held in two small vans on a lay-by on the main road leading out of town.

An ugly modern sheepfold An ugly modern sheepfold as been built near the cliffs on the very spot where the planned nuclear boiler is to be put up. Lambs gambol inside unaware that the court at Quimper has ordered the building to be pulled down because it has not received planning

Despite their fight, the 2,300 townsfolk of Plogoff seem resigned to the prospect that the nuclear power station will be given the planning permis-sion their sheepfold failed to win. This makes them too angry to give evidence to the inquiry and explains the bitterness of their arguments, expressed in sign language on roads, buildings and hillsides.

On the electricity trans-former station in the centre of the town is the message that sums up their thoughts: "The shadow of Kabul falls on Plogoff". In other words, the proudly independent Bretons assert that the foreign power which has its capital in Paris has sent soldiers to subjugate the people and the country-

Other signs say: "Plogoff will live", in yard-high letters on the roadway, or, "Sheep (moutons) will conquer neut-

But generally, there is an air of hopelessness about the struggle despite the hundreds of letters of support pouring into the town hall and the presence of anti-nuclear cam-paigners from all over Europe.

Together they mount the daily ritual of protest. Each night the lay-by is fouled. Each morning it is cleared so that the vans can be parked. During the vans can be parked. During the day, a few come to stare vanomously at the police and soldiers. Then, in the evening a large crowd gathers to hurlinsults and stones at the depart-

Usually tear gas comes back ond tonight was no exception.
Over the brow of the hill on the
town side of the lay-by came
the sound of marching feet and
the tips of four tricolor flags
were seen flying high in the

The soldiers and ciat colice drawn up across the road with their shields at the ready stiffened as they waited for the attack. It was not what they expected,

The marching feet were taperecordings and a loudspeaker van soon switched to the Marseillaise.

The flags were being carried by a row of veterans with their medals clanking on their chests, and middle aged women in scarves and clogs.

These manched straight up to

They marched straight up to the riot shields and one baton smashed down onto an old fist clasped round a flagstaff draw-ing blood.

One of the women shouted:
"They were fighting for you in Normandy and Algiers when you were in your cradles".
The soldiers ranks parted and the veterans marched through. A second line of soldiers with grenades ready to fire then confronted them. "That's right,

stration is to be preceded by a total closure throughout the day of everything in the town.

OVERSEAS.

Afghanistan minister in Moscow for talks

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, March 13
Mr Shah Muhammad Dost,
the Afghan Foreign Minister,

arrived in Moscow today for talks with the Soviet leaders at their invitation, the Soviet news agency Tass announced. It did not say how long he would be

staying.

Mr Dost has just sent a letter
to the United Nations Secretary
General complaining that the "continuing intervention" in Afghanistan's internal affairs by the United Stares, China and Pakistan, created a serious threat to peace and stability in the region and throughout the

world."

He said his country wanted good relations with Pakistan, and asserted that Afghanistan was pursuing a policy of peace and non-alignment. The develop-ment of the current crisis and the various proposals put for-ward by the Soviet Union and the West for defusing it will undoubtedly form the substance of Mr Dost's talks with the Rus-

sians.

Meanwhile, Tass today repor-ted from Kabul that President Karmal of Afghanistan had received a delegation of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers, representing eight Communist countries, and told them how his regime was respecting human rights. Aid offer renewed: The United States has renewed its offer of States has renewed its offer of \$200m (about £90m) in economic aid to Pakistan, \$100m this year and the same next year. The Pakistanis were offered another \$200m in military aid, and rejected it disdainfully (our Washington Correspondent sprires)

In a statement to Congress yesterday by Mr Warren Christopher, Deputy Secretary of State, and in messages delivered to President Zia in Islamabad, the Americans have made it clear that the two pro-grammes were separate and that economic aid was not conditional on acceptance of military assistance. The third part of American policy to-wards Pakistan after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the reaffirmation of the 1959

security agreement between the two countries, is still valid. The Pakistanis rejected the \$200m in military aid as insufficient. Similar views: Lord Carrington, the British Foreign Secretary, discussed the Afghanistan situashoot at your country's flag", discussed the Afghanistan situa-said the wounded standard tion with Romanian leaders bearer. The second line fell today and reported that they back and the veterans of were in broad agreement with Plogoff marched to the vans the West. "I do not think the and sang the Marseillaise.

Tomorrow is the lest day of the inquiry and the final demon-



Mr John Lambert, one of the American hostages held in Tehran since November, being examined recently by a doctor.

Iran polls today will decide fate of hostages

Tebran, March 13.—Iranians an operation soon for the vote tomorrow in the first removal of his spleen which his round of elections for a Parliadoctor says is probably affected ment whose most pressing task will be to set terms for the release of the 49 American Embassy hostages. The task has been delegated to the 270-seat Majlis by Ayatollah Khomeini.

There will be two-stage polling to decide which of two power-blocks emerges the stronger, and therefore able to impose its ideas on conditions for freeing the hostages.

On the one hand is the pro-clergy Islamic Republican Party (IRP), expected to sup-port the radical Muslim students in their demand for the extradition of the deposed Shah as the price for the hostages' freedom. Opposing them are supporters of President Abolbassan Bani-Sadr, who has taken a more conciliatory line.

The President has said that the cases of the Shah and of the hostages are two separate issues. He has demanded, as his main condition for the hostages' release, an admission by Washtoo far apart . broadly speaking we have the same conclusions", be said later in
Brasov.—Reuter.

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by a tumour.

Although Mr Bani-Sadr has no formal party, his loose coalition of supporters and the more rightly knit IRP are expected to benefit from the two-stage election at the expense of smaller groupings from both the left and right wings.

wings.
The poli is based on an absolute-majority system. Candidates obtaining 50 per cent plus one of the votes on the first round are automatically elected while those gaining between 40 and 50 per cent of the poll go through to the second round.

The left-wing groups are fighting elections for the first time since the 1953 coup which overthrew the government of Muhammad Mossadeq and restored the Shah to power. They have protested bitterly against the two-stage system. But although both President Bani-Sadr and Mr Sadeq Qotbzadeh, the Foreign Minister, have said they oppose the method, they were outvoted in the ruling Revolutionary Council.

contesting the elections, including 460 in Greater Tehran.

The exact timetable for the second round of the elections and the convening of the Majlis was still not known for certain roday. Interior Ministry officials said that expected that cials said they expected the second round to take place about April 4. The Parliament may convene soon after that, but President Bani-Sadr told the French news-

Bani-Sadr told the French newspaper Le Monde this week that it could not start debating the hostage issue until the middle of May.

In an interview with a French radio network today, Mr Qotbiadeh said the militant students, who occupied the embassy on November 4, were becoming increasingly isolated from the rest of Iran's population.

A Foreign Ministry spokes-A Foreign ministry spokes-man in Tehran soid that the United Nations commission in-vestigating the alleged crimes of the Shah "must return to Iran" after the parliamentary elections, "because the crisis between Iran and the United

States is not finished."

He added that the commission
must submit its report on the

Tehran radio, said that armed groups dominated all these

The radio confirmed reports of clashes around the town of tashes around the town of Kamiaran, south of Sanandaj, the capital of Kurdistan. Quoting reports from the paramilitary Revolutionary Guard there, it said Kamiaran had been attacked by heavy weapons, including mortars.—Reuter, UPI and Agence France-Presse.

heart surgeon, will fly to Panama within the next few days to examine the Shah and "There are at least two very fine hospitals in Panema", he said.—Reuter.

After 45 minutes the point turned, ordered everyor leave, and arrested Mr C

The Flying Universely to the consists of lectures org. The Interior Ministry has by Professor Tomin, a Czechoslovak academic

postponed the parliamentary elections in the Kurdish towns of Marivan and Saqqez, bringing to three the number of Kurdish towns where the poll has been suspended.

Surgeon flying to Shah: Dr Michael DeBakey, an American

determine whether his enlarged spleen should be removed, a spokesman for the doctor said He said Dr DeBakey had not been told in which hospital the operation might take place.

British

to leave

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by Czechs

By Our Foreign Staff
The Czechoslovak author

The Czechoslovak authorysterday ordered Mr. A Cargill, a British student 18, out of the country: Mr. gill, a former Eton pupil arrested on Wednesday et while attending a lettus Prague organized by Praf Julius Tomin's "Flying Unity".

It was the second suc

It was the second sur-cident within a week, Sunday, Dr. William Ne Smith, a Canadian, wh-Fairfax Fellow in phile and senior rutor at Baltin lege, Oxford, was expelled Czechoslovakia after arrested at a lecture at the

According to inform given by the Foreign Mi to the British Embassy Cargill was arrested, held

few hours for questioning released after being will leave the country by 6 an terday. By the afternoon embassy had not receive

answer to a request for marion on how and whe Cargill left the country.

It is understood that is the country.

It is understood that is the civilian clothes and eighter formed policemen who manded identity cards. I sor Tomin and Professor I Paloise the lectures, ask

Palous; the lecturer, ask see their authorization when it was not produce ceeded with their ma After 45 minutes the poli

has not been allowed to since 1968. They are he the homes of dissident

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THE TIMES

'One system for all' is Mugabe aim

Continued from page 1 be necessary to reduce salaries paid to senior white civil

A key element in Mr Mugabe's plans to make far-reaching changes in the way the country is run will be the amalgamation of the separate authorities that administer the daily lives of the country's

black and white people. Until now, most blacks living in the countryside have been controlled by the (white) district commissioners who run the country's 54 administrative districts and who come under the Ministry of Home Affairs.

The predominantly white power The predominantly white rowns and European farming 2: :as are run by local authorities, as in Britain, which fall under the

Ministry of Local Government. In future, district administra-tion will be removed from the Home Affairs Ministry, of which Mr Joshua Nkomo, leader of the Zapu party, is to be head, and will be transferred to the new Ministry of Local Government under Mr Eddison

"Our aim is to establish a single administrative system that will cater for blacks and whites, urban and rural areas." Mr Mugabe said. "There will be one system for all."

Mr Mugabe's plans for land resettlement will cause less con-cern within the European com-munity. Today he identified two priority areas. First was the resettlement of the hun-dreds of thousands of "dis-placed people" in the areas where they had been living the war forced them to

Second, was the resettlement of people living in crowded tribal trust lands on underused white land. He added that these people would be resettled on cooperative or collective farms. Most Europeans have accepted that a degree of African resettlement is necessary. The previous Administration of Bishop Abel Muzorewa had earmarked 10 million acres of transparent long for press plants.

underused land for resettlement but did very little about imple-menting such a plan.

On health and education, Mr Mugabe said that his govern-ment would initially concen-trate on rebuilding and reopen-ing the schools, hospitals and clinics that were destroyed during the war. Mr Mugabe called for mas

said a number of Western countries, among them Britain and the United States, had offered aid. However, no offers sive international assistance. He had been made by Communist block countries.

Mr Mugabe confirmed that he had asked Lord Soames, the

Governor, to stay several weeks planned. indenendence would be between the middle and the end of April.

Unions rally behind sportsmen until Soviet forces were with- the individual's head of

A deepening rift is opening between the Government and the sporting community over the question of British partici-pation in the Moscow Olympics. Athletes are gradually being made aware of the indirect pressures on them to stay away from the summer games, while the Government searches for a compromise posture which will satisfy both the sportsmen and its own disapproval of Soviet

crions in Afghanistan. Civil service unions yesterday quickly sprang to the defence of any of their members who may find a Government employer unwilling to give them the necessary time off to compete in Moscow.

At the same time it was prounced that Mr Douglas Rurd, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, will join United States and Australian officials at a meeting in Geneva on Monday.

The meeting will discuss the possibilities of staging alternatives to the Moscow Olympics. While the prospects of doing so do not appear bright, Foreign Office sources emphasise that Mrs Thatcher understands the frustration of athletes and takes the view that it would be better to try for an alternative venue and fail, than not The hope seems to be that an

alternative games could be arranged after the completion of the official Olympiad, and that the Soviet Union would be welcomed as a participant.
The Government can have drawn only modest comfort from the report of the Commons Select Committee on foreign affairs, published yes terday, which split predictably down the middle on party lines over its attitude to the games. But it did agree on a recom-

mendation supporting a boycot:

drawn from Afgbanistan satisfactory, commitments

A Labour proposal, defeated on the casting vote of the chair.

tunity of a free vote on the Olympics issue in the Commons on Monday, Mr Norman St John Stevas, leader of the House, announced yesterday. But Mr James Callaghan, the Opposition leader, accused the Cabinet of trying to smuggle through the issue, because the vote has been timed for 1 am. when there is likely to be a less

than complete attendance. Earlier in the Commons. during question time, the Prime Minister defended the Govern-ment's decision not to grant special leave to Government employees to attend the games. whether as competitors or officials. It would not make sense, she said, to advise them not to go and then give them extra time off to do so.

Instructions to be circulated the Civil Service Department throughout Whitehall in the next few days will say that any civil servant who wishes extra paid leave, above his normal holiday entitlement, to go to Moscow, must have his case referred to the Oepart-

Requests for unpaid leave will be left to the discretion of

ment, but thinly directive is that they too be looked upon with dis

> no suggestion of outrigi The Civil and Public S Association, the largest Civil Service unions, represents chiefly grades, said it would utmost to find volunte cover for any member s to be obsent in Moscow, the last resort would a the salary of any

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forced to take unpaid is Similar declarations of were made by the Inst. of Professional Civil Se

Similar strictures have placed by the Minist Defence on members (armed services, who have told that they can part during their annual leav

tinued to express their mination to be in Me assuming they are chose the British Olympic squ-spite of the increasing G

cer in Cambridgeshire an of Britain's brightest hop-a gold medal in the shot

Worthing and a former Conservative minister.
Did Mr St John-Stevas think,

sacrifice rightly deserved. Many of the Leader of the House's difficulties seemed to be reflected in the main con-clusion of the report of the select committee that the problems which have arisen both national and international level over the proposed boycott of the games "have resulted from the difficulties of communication, consultation and coordination in what was con-

At the national level, it emerged from the evidence and the spirit in which it had been ing a sense of grievance over the years. They feel that they are not properly consulted" by Government Internationally, there bad

been a lack of coordination in the positions taken by the lead-ing members of the EEC and the United States. The danger now was that differences of opinion among the allies as to how to express their disapproval might be taken by the Soviet leaders as a lack of determina-tion to oppose the invasion of Afghanistan.

Sportsmen felt that they were the Government because it con-tinued trade relations in the usual way, Mr Denis Howell, MP for Birmingham Small Heath, and a former Labour Minister for Sport, told the Parliamentary Labour Party last night (Our Political Corres. pondent writes).

He said the Government had recently signed a deal in Leipzig which involved the supply of £50m worth of goods Soviet Union, and Mr Parkinson, Minister of for Trade, when challenge this, had said that the Go ment wanted to continue relations in trade with

Mr Tam Dalyell, MP for Lothian, thought it was defensible that the British American governments stask athletes to boycott games "when the Chase hattan Bank goes mertly of way, doing business in cow", when the British An sador remained at his post, when commercial relations. Russia were actually entaged by Mrs Thatcher and Government

Mr Peter Shore, MP. for 5 nev and Poplar, the sha Pureign Secretary, said that Labour Party should avoid ting into the mess the Gov

Leading article, pag

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withdrawal were made,

man, urged the British team to take part unless agreement could be reached with the Olympic bodies of other Western nations on a boycott. The committee noted the grow ing political exploitation of the games, and called for measures to ensure their long-term future in less controversial political conditions.

It was necessary, the com-mittee said, for the Govern-ment's signals to the athletes be unequivocal.
MPs will have the oppor-

and the Society of Civ Public Servants.

> mission to travel to an European country. Individual athletes hav

ment pressure. Mr Geoff Capes, a polic was said by his coach ready to give up his I special leave was refuse

Mr Sebastian Coe, a contender for an athletics said he had had no direct sure put on him not to a but he disagreed with pre-being put on those athlete

he said, that the task of per-suading sporting bodies to boy-cett Moscow was likely to be helped by holding a three-hour debate at night rather than giv-ing it the attention and import-ance that the athletes who ance that the athletes who were being asked to make a major

sidered to be an emergency situation".

ment had fallen into.

The principal one is the Pope's support for the Uniates — the Ukrainian Catholic

which aroused deep suspicions among the Orthodox leadership

ing to reestablish its position

sent Pope, a strong and vocal opponent of Marxism. Motters

have been complicated by the

emergence of a strong dissident

movement among Catholics in Lithuania, which has the sup-

port of many Catholic clergy

dos Church is not directly involved in this issue, the

question of believers' rights is likely to be raised by the Roman Catholic delegation.

Though the Russian Ortho-

Vatican delegation in

A Vatican delegation of eight, led by the Archbishop of Utrecht, Cardinal Willebrands, arrived in Moscow today to take part in ecumenical talks with leaders of the Russian ortho-

dox Church.

The meetings, which will last 10 days, will be held in the Odessa seminary, one of three seminaries in the Soviet Union where Orthoday where Orthoday arrests are seminaries of the Soviet Union where Orthoday arrests are seminaries of the Orthoday are seminaries of the O

trained, and where the Patri- that the Vatican was attempt-

erch has his summer residence, cardinal Willebrands, who is president of the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity, has played an important part is played an important part is since the election of the president played an important part is since the election of the president played an important part is since the election of the president played an important part is sent Pope, a strong and vocal

Moscow for talks

Moscow, March 13 A Vatican delegation

where Orthodox priests are

played an important part of moves to improve relations between the Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches of eastern and southern Europe.

In 1963 he was the first Cardinal to visit Moscow.

The present round of talks, the fifth since the dialogue started in 1967, is not likely to be easy. There are important

differences between the two

churches, which have shar-pened noticeably in recent

Ayatollahand inflation | Mr Ford's threaten Carter chances of reelection

Washington, March 13

President Carrer has done well in the primaries so far. He lost Massachuserts to Senator Kennedy but won all the others. He is comfortably ahead in the delegate-selection process in all those states that hold party caucuses instead of primaries, and there can be little doubt se will win the Illinois primary

next Tuesday.

For all that, his chances of winning the election in November diminish with every witch of Ayatollah Khomeini's supper-strings and every jump n the inflation and interest rates. Occasionally even his nost confident supporters wake ip sweating in the night, dreaming of Camelot.

One thing at least is clear by One thing at least is clear by low: Senator Kennedy is not soing to take the nomination may from the President. If he sets it, it will be because Mr. arter's position colleges under the weight of economic lisaster, foreign policy failure, and a few more Carter blunders. Senator Kennedy has many nurdens to carry. Chappaquidlick is a sorious matter; the selief that he might panic in a risis, and worst of all his well-arned reputation as a liberal, will him down. On the other and, he retains a firm core of and, he retains a firm core of olid support, partly because of us libered credentials and most fall because he is a Kennedy. Other candidates bow out of he race when they have a few rimaries: Mr John Connally alled it quits when he managed nly 30 per cent in South Caro-ina. Mr George Bush, who got 0 per cent in Florida and can appect to do no better in llinois, seems destined to fol-

Mr Kennedy can go from efeat to defeat, and although nly a miracle can bring him lictory he can stagger on until the butter end, collecting a few relegates at every stage. Mr Sush's miracle must come at since. Mr Kennedy can wait for

The ingredients of the Carter isaster are lined up in the pen, waiting for time and the resident to bring them to-ether. The inflation rate has ore than doubled in the past hat it was when Mr Carter ok office. Administration ficials hope it has spurted up riefly to 20 per cent or so, and all soon sink to more tolerable of the but in countries, not vels, but in countries not customed to such rates vernments cannot survive the continuing catastrophe. The polis show bow fragile narter of the electorate—a nor come easily to him. He has easure of disapproval virginity ally without precedent.

Americans rallied round the flag when the Embassy in Tehran was seized, but that was on November 4 and since then Mr Carter has tried half dozen policies to get the hostages released, blowing first hot and then cold, sticking to none of them for very long and accomplishing nothing. The

Emperor has no clothes and people are beginning to notice. He pronounced anathema on the Israelis 10 days ago, because they decided to allow Jews to settle in Hebron. Two days later he cancelled it, and a week after that the Israeli Government expropriated 1,000 Arab acres in East Jerusalem for Jewish settlement. The mass of the electorate may not follow closely the details of these transactions, but they will certainly notice that the truce is over and that his opponents and all the news-papers and television commentators are criticizing the Presi-



Mr Carter has been campaign-ing from the rese garden: he for weekends at Camp David, since the hostages were taken. The tactic served him well in the early primaries, and he has just carried three important states in the South by over-

whelming margins.

But as his popularity slips and that implacable cleric in Teirran continues to hold America hostage, the President may come to feel he is as much a hostage himself, tranged in

a hostage himself, trapped in the rose garden.

There is also the point made the other day by his campaign manager, Mr Robert Strauss, that it will take Mr Carter some time to fit his stride when he starts campaigning at last, and he may not be able to afford a month's stumbling in the

It took Senator Kennedy longer than that to pull his act together. His first campaign speeches, in November and December last year, were often muddled, badly delivered, and quite lacking a consistent theme. He has hit his stride now, notably after making a fine restatement of his liberal be-

President keeps far ahead n Democratic caucuses

important.

from Hawaii.

Phone call damages

SKorea Army

coup attempt

chief jailed over

sel seld he would recommend

an appeal after the Defence Minister had confirmed or re-duced the sentence within 10

passed sentence.
Admiral Chung and a fourman panel of officers accepted the prosecution charge that General Chung tacitly cooperated with Kim Jae Kyu, the former head of the South Korean Central Intelligence. Agency, who has confessed to the assassination.

Paris, March 13.-A robber was killed in a shooting incident

with bank guards near the Ritz Hotel in the Place Vendome. A second robber escaped in a stolen taxi after holding up the

nque Nationale de Paris.

the assassination.

Robber shot dead

Cloeveland, March 13.—A man's telephone call home from

man's telephone call home from a railway station here will cost the Ohio Bell Telephone Company \$30,000 (about £13,500). A jury awarded the money to Mr Ronald Colonna and his wife yesterday in a suit they brought after the wall phone unit fell on him.

tion—11, compared to New Hampshire's 19 and New York's 282—the victory is not very om Our Own Correspondent ashington, March 13 President Carter is well ahead the hunt for votes among emocrats in four states which emocrats in four states which we held Democratic caucuses is week. Members of the party thered in Oklahoma, Hawaii, laska and Washington on resday and in Delaware yesrday to choose delegates to cal conventions which will, in rn, choose delegates to the rn, choose delegates to the tional convention in August.

important.

The only one of the five states which has completed its count of the votes so far is Oklahoma, which gives Mr Carter 75 per cent and Mr Kennedy 10 per cent. The President's margin of victory was rather less in Washington and Deleware, but still better than two to one. He will probably win 15 or 16 of the delegates from Hawaii. Only in Alaska do supporters
Senator Edward Kennedy
aim to be ahead, and since
laska is the least-populated
ate in the union, sending the
west delegates to the conven-There were Republican cau-cuses in Washington and first results suggest that Mr Reagan was winning the most votes

Lecruits plan union

Orebro, Sweden, March 13 .ecruits in the Swedish Army ive decided to form their own ade union. Ir could not strike, ider existing Swedish law, but ould work for better contions, a spokesman for a truits' meeting being held

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From Jacqueline Reditt
Seoul, March 13
General Chung Seung Hwa, former Chief of Staff of the South Korean Army, was sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment today after a military court found him guitty of aiding an attempt to overthrow the Government after the assassination of President Park Chung Hee in October.

General Chung, aged 51, pleaded not guilty. The prosecution had asked for a 15-year sentence. General Chung's counsel said he would recommend the reason is very simple. The new system is not a kit, although you install it yourself ithough you install it yourself and so save labour costs). Your windows are measured by experts. Then the panels are actory made to measure and leivered ready glazed for you o install. What could be impler than that? And if the ystem is face fitted it does not natter if your reveal is out of rue; it still fits stugly and the unels glide easily with no extra work or packing. The former general sat quietly in a graditional white Korean jacket, handcuffed between military guards, as the judge Vice Admiral Chung Won Min,

ratra work or packing.
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comments suggest he may run

Washington, March 13.— Former President Gerald Ford has increased speculation that he intends entering this year's race for the presidency by delivering two strong attacks

Mr Ford told a Republican fundraising dinner last night: "My sole, single purpose, politically or otherwise, is to get President Carter out of the White House."

Earlier Mr Ford said in a television interview with CBS that Mr Carter had brought the United States to "the precipice of danger both at home and abroad." He added be would decide within the next week whether to enter the election

campaign.
Mr Ford described Mr
Carrer's economic programme as a disaster, his energy policies as misguided and ineffective, and his foreign policies as "contradictory, erratic and downright dangerous."

Hhe said that if the crisis over the 49 American hostages held in the United States Embassy in Tebran, ended successfully, Mr Carter should not take the credit. "Don't ever call thus a diplomatic triumph or try to tell me that the Carter Administration did more than muddle through."
But in a later speech, Mr

Ford appeared concerned about the vehemence of his remarks about Mr Carter. He said that the President should not take such criticism

personally because Mr Carter

was a decent and honourable

person.-Reuter

Bogota, March 13.—The Colombian Government has announced plans to shorten trials of suspected guerrillas in an apparent move to help secure the release of 30 hostages held in the Dominican Republic Embassy here.

Last night it was announced that a commission of nine prominent jurists, including the Attorney-General and two the Attorney-General and two former Justice Ministers, had been set up to examine how to

ambassadors.

The original demand called for 311 suspected guerrillas to

of reading the evidence, which runs to 72,000 pages, but the defendants appealed to the Supreme Court which rejected

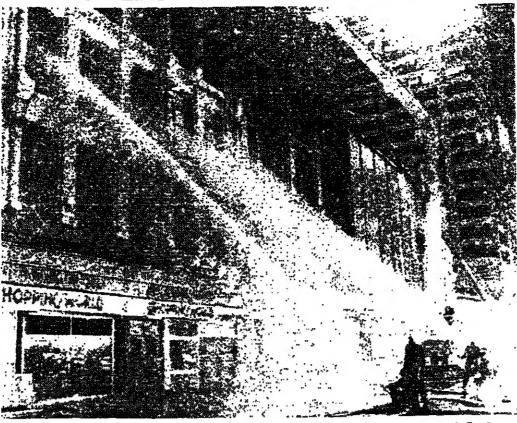
in custody.

The new commission met
President Turbay Ayala and several ministers yesterday.

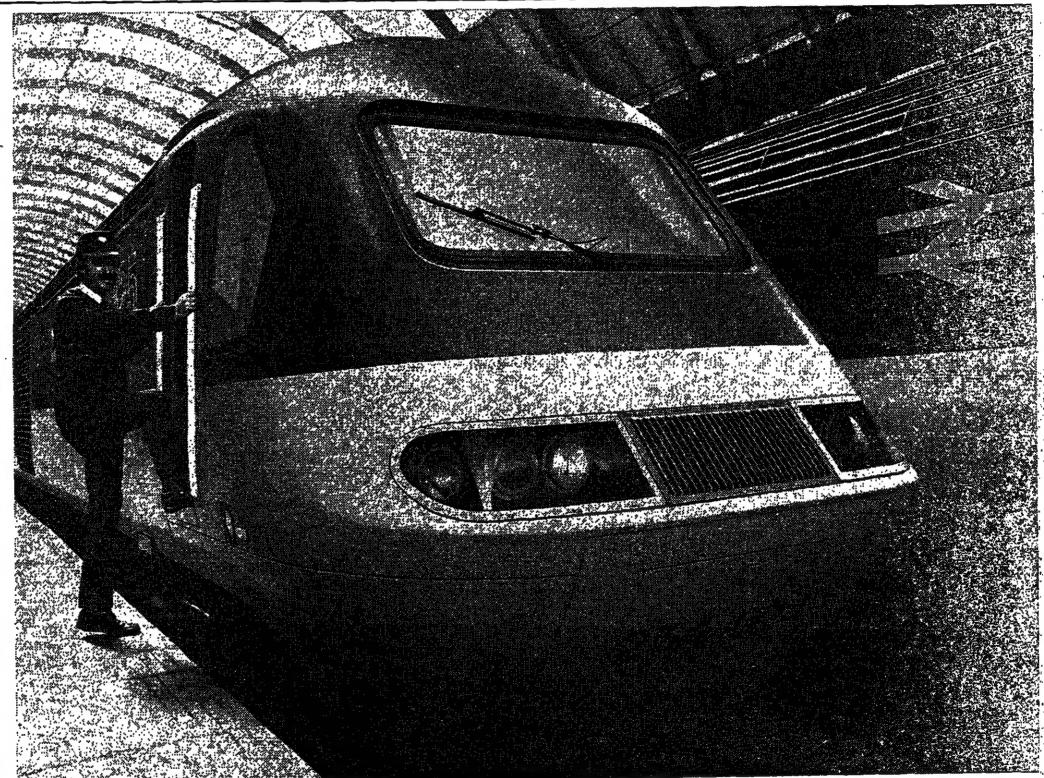
A group of jurists consulted

Plans to shorten trials seen as appeasing embassy hostages' captors

against paying any ransom.— Reuter.



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Seizure of Arab land deepens rift in **Egypt-Israel relations**

From Christopher Walker Jerusalem, March 13

Egypt over Jewish settlements in the occupied territories has been increased by the Israeli decision to seize 1.000 acres of land in east Jerusalem to build a new Jewish suburb. Two thirds of the land is owned by Arabs.

The seizure was the first of significance in the former Arab sector of Jerusalem since the signing of the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty early last year. The Egyptian Government today joined the United States and Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, in condemning the move, which is regarded as an act of Israeli defiance in the face of the United Nations resolution passed earlier this month calling for the dismant-ling of all settlements on Arab

A government spokesman in Cairo claimed that the expropriation was "new evidence of Israeli persistence in violating international law and obstruct ing the implementation of the Camp David accords?

rom Christopher Walker
erusalem, March 13

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talks on Palestinian autonomy might reach a successful con-clusion by the appointed date of May 26.

The Israeli Government is expected to issue soon a formal rejection of the international criticism of the expropriation.

Mr David Levy, Minister of Housing, has defended the move, stating: "We are talking them as a rear under leveli

about an area under Israeli suvereignty in which we have an absolute right to expropriate land for public purposes. Although some Israeli poli-ticians have been critical of the ciming of the Government's announcement, few would contest the principle that Israel has a right to seize land in the part of Jerusalem that was annexed from Jordan in the

1967 war. It is repeatedly pointed out that the aunexation was carried out under a Labour government, and that the original plan to build new homes on the site on the outskirts of east Jerusalem was proposed by Jerusalem was proposed by the last Labour administration before it lost office in 1977. In diplomatic circles, there West Bank coexistence, page 16

Anger over Austria's recognition of PLO

From Our Correspondent
Vienna: March 13
Dr. Bruno Kreisky, the
Austrian Chancollor, has confirmed that his Government has
excognized the Palestinian Lib-

uration Organization.
Dr Kreisky said that Austria's acceptance of the accreditation of Mr Ghasi Hussain, the PLO representative to the United Nations in Vienna, as the PLO representative in Austria was a de facto recognition by Austria of the organization as the rep-

of the organization as the representatives of the Palestinians. Dr Kreisky said: "This is a new way of recognizing the diplomatic representative of the nation without a country". Mr Hussain, who has been in Vienna since 1977, said today that Dr Kreisky had kept a promise made in a speech to the lighted Nations last October, in which he said that the recogniwhich he said that the recogni-

was essential to peace in the Mr Hussain, who has established himself as a respected and unflappable diplomat, has also been accredited by the PLO es its representative in Bonn. He already enjoys full diplo-matic status in Austria because of his accreditation to the

United Nations. Mr Yassakhar Ben-Yaacov, the

accreditation, which was pub lished in the Socialist Party newspaper Arbeiter-Zeitung.

This method of publicity has angered the two opposition parties in Austria. They have questioned whether the recognition of the PLO was a decision which the Government could take without parliament ary consultation.

Our Jerusalem Correspondent writes: The Austrian Govern ment's move caused deep anger to the Israeli Cabinet, which has been growing increasingly concerned in recent weeks about the support for the Palestinian cause being shown by several European states.

For many Israelis, the bitterness has been heightened by the knowledge that Dr Kreisky comes from Jewish stock.

A senior Foreign Minstry spokesman said that the exact form of the Israeli resonse would not be announced until Israel's ambassador in Vienna had reported in full.

Last week Israel made formal West Germany because of their separate statements of public support for the right of Palestinians to self-determination. A stronger rebuke is certain to be has visited the Austrian Foreign Affairs Ministry to ask
for clarification of Mr Hussain's breaking diplomatic relations.

Mother jailed in support case

hours this week for failing to band, 2 carpenter. 27, a bar worker who earns provided it some hours later.

\$6,000 (£2,600), was \$2,000 bewoman was jailed for eight hind in payments to her hus-

Judge Robert Woods ordered her former husband, who earns Judge Robert Woods ordered more than twice as much as she her to be sent to jail until she does. Linda Jean Miller, aged paid the money. Her employer

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Labour unrest in Turkey: A policeman driving two workers at gunpoint from a textile factory in the violence-swept Zeytinburnu district of Istanbul yesterday. About 1,500 workers had occupied the factory in protest at the dismissal of 500 employees, which the management said was the result of an economy drive and not

Turkey likely to elect

ers the Republican People's Party of Mr Bulent Ecevit, which holds the largest number

of seats in Parliament, believes

that Mr Caglayangil would not

make a sufficiently impartial President, and therefore favours

Mr Baykara, despite opposition from the left wing of the party. Mr Ecevit's internal oppon-

ents are said to be against Mr Baykara for baving been an influential member of Army-backed right-wing cabinets bet-ween 1971 and 1973.

ween 1971 and 1973.

A possible alternative RPP candidate whose name has cropped up recently is Mr Muhitin Taylan, a noted moderate and a former president of the Constitutional Court.

Another likely candidate, also an RPP member, is Mr Hasan Esat Isik, a former Defence and Foreign Minister in two Ecevit governments.

Ececit governments.
Yet another dark horse is Mr
Cahit Karakas, the National
Assembly Speaker, also an RPP

What is most likely to hap-

pen, according to most observers, is that none of the candidates will obtain the amount of votes needed (two-

thirds of the votes in the first two rounds and an absolute

British minister

'snubbed' by

Kuwait leader

Beirut, March 13.-Shaikh

Taber al-Ahmad al Sabah, the

Emir of Kuwait, snubbed Mr

Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the British Foreign Office, during his visit to the Gulf

states which ended today, the left-wing Beirut newspaper

The newspaper said today

that the Emir cancelled a meet-

ing with Mr Hurd after the British Minister had refused to

recognize "the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO)

as the sole legitimate represen

As-Safir, which quoted no source for its report, said the Kuwaiti move was in protest at

a statement on Monday by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, in which she had linked Palestinian self-determi-

nation with PLO recognition of

Mr Hurd, who left for Lon-

don today after a week's visit to North Yemen and Kuwait,

declined to meet the Kuwaiti request on PLO recognition.

in Syria were paid and armed by the CIA and Israel. It also

accused the right-wing Lebanese Phalangist party of helping to smuggle weapons into Syria. There has been widespread unrest and violence in northern

and central Syria over the past

few weeks.
"It is no secret that many

pous in Syria and Lebanon"

Mr Dayan says peace treaty threatened

the Palestinian

As-Safir reported.

of

people "

CIA accused of fomenting

internal disorder in Syria

member.

a civilian President

From Sinan Fisck
Ankara, March 13
When the Turkish Parliament
convenes on March 22 t. choose
a replacement for President Kor-

utürk, it seems unlikely that an officer will succeed the retired Admiral. Despite rumours that his mandate will be extended, it

his mandate will be extended, it is constitutionally impossible for Mr Korutürk to be reelected at the end of his seven-year term of presidency.

There is, as yet, no front-runner candidate for the mainly ceremonial post, but all the political parties concerned appear to agree that a civilian should be elected.

Although General Kenan

be elected.

Although General Kenan Evren, the highly respected chief of general staff, would seem to be a natural first choice, political observers here believe that the general has no wish to compromise a brilliant military career with an eleventh-hour political gamble. From the bevy of candidates in the race, the two most likely

in the race, the two most likely names to emerge are those of Senator Zeyyat Baykara, an independent MP, named to the Upper House by President Korutürk and an experienced former cabinet minister, and Mr

former cabinet minister, and Mr
Ihan Sabri Caglayangil, the
president of the Senate and a
Minister of Foreign affairs in
previous Justice Party cabinets.
Although the Justice Party
has not voiced its preference in
the presidential election, most
agree that Mr Caglayangil,
although aged 72, is the man
Mr Suleyman Demirel, the

Prime Minister, would like to

Islamic call for

on Palestinians

Marrakesh, March 13.— Islamic leaders meeting in Mar-

rakesh, Morocco, have called for an emergency meeting of the United Nations General Assembly to discuss the Pales-tinian and Jerusalem issues.

A document adopted by a committee of the Islamic Conference Organization also recommended that its members

should send ministers to Euro-pean and other non-Muslim

states to seek support for Pales-tinian rights and recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organi-

zation as the only legitimate representative of the Palestinians.

The recommendations were

approved at a closing session

of a two-day meeting of the 14-member Jerusalem commit-tee of the Islamic Conference last night.

It praised the French en-

dorsement of Palestinians' rights to self-determination, and

suggested that a special con-ference should be held in Paris this year to inform the Euro-

pean public about the Jerusalem issue.-Reuter.

Damascus, March 13.-Syrian newspapers today echoed President Hafez al-Assad of Syria in blaming the United States Central Intelligence Agency for

The government newspaper Tishrin said in a leading article

that the CIA was controlling

armed men responsible for attacks on Syrian Government establishments. It called on the

population to stand together against the "enemies of the

In a speech to trade unionists on Tuesday, President Assad for the first time publicly accused the CIA of fomenting internal disorder in Syria.

The newspaper of the ruling Baath Party, Al Baath, said that "killers and bandits" operating

UN meeting

see as president.

based on any political grounds. After 42 days of the sit-in, a joint force of police and troops charged into the factory yesterday and removed the protesters. This was the latest in a series labour agitations to shake the Government of Mr Suleyman-Demirel in its struggle to revive the almost bankrupt economy. During its

three months in power about 950 people have been killed in acts of political violence - an average of nine a day. Six factory workers were shot dead on Wednesday night after being hauled from their van near the south-eastern

Grenada proud of its Castro links

St George's, Grenada. March rallies here, "there would not

At Pearls Airport, 18 miles outside St George's, a Cuban executive jet waits to return home with Señor Jesus Montane Oropesa, a senior Communist Party official, here to attend a

anniversary of the overthrow of the Gairy Government.

As Grenada swings leftward, Mr Maurice Bishop, who suc-ceeded Sir Eric Gairy as Prime Minister, speaks of an un-breakable Cuban Grenadan friendship." If there was no Cuba," Mr Bishop has told daily

France suspects Havana behind unrest on island

majority afterwards) and that the polling will drag on with Mr Caglayangil becoming acting Paris, March 13.—France suspects Cuba of backing nationalist groups fomenting uprest in the West Indian island head of state as president of the Senate, after Mr Korutürk steps down on April 6. of Martinique and will join other Western nations in block-What seems to be certain at this point—as far as things can ing Hayana's penetration in the Caribbean a member of the French cabinet said today. rime Minister, would like to be certain in Turkish politics—
ee as president.

According to political observnot be a soldier.

M Paul Dijoud, Secretary of and Territories, said there were indications that President Castro of Cuba was providing both political and financial aid to independence movements in Martinique.

"International Communism is on the march in the Caribbean and Cuba is the Central American staging post for Societ action. France plans to halt this penetration together with the West and free nations," M Dijoud said in a press inter-

wiew.

Mattinique, with a population of 350,000, has been swept by strikes and demonstrations in recent months, and last week France sent 220 extra riot police M Dijoud's statements fol-lowed growing tension in Martinique marked by sporadic violence between local inhabi-tants and people from metropoliran France. He said that while there was no sign of Cuban armed support for Mar-tinique nationalists. France could bolster its Caribbean gar-

risons with troops from Europe within 10 hours. Most of the present trouble on the island, which has been a French overseas department since 1946 after three centuries of colonization, appears due more to emotional than econo-

mic factors.

M Aime Cesaire, the mayor of the capital, Fort de France, says French policy is leading to what he rerms "genocide by substitution" of the black population of Martinique and the other main French West Indian island, Guadeloupe. French policy is to encourage

emigration to metropolitan France by young unemployed West Indians

Hungary's former party chief dies

Budapest, March 13.—Mr Ernoe Geroe, leader of the Hun-Israeli and American advisers are now in Jounieh and Dbayeh", Al Banth said in a garian communist party for three mouths before the Buda-pest uprising of 1956, died today of a heart attack aged 82. reference to two coastal towns in the part of Lebanon con-trolled by right-wingers.

"It is no secret that many American and Israeli ships loaded with arms are now at Aquamarina to distribute wea-Mr Geroe was briefly in-stalled as party leader under Soviet pressure after the Soviet pressure after the removal of the Stalinist leader Mr Matyas Rakosi. He was powerless to stop a growing anti-Soviet movement which led to bitter fighting when workers and students rose Aquamarina is one of the illegal ports dotted along the Lebanese coast.—Reuter. against the regime.-Reuter.

St George's, Grenada. March 13.—The Cuban presence on this tiny Caribbean island has become firmly entrenched in the year since a leftist revolution overthrew the pro-Western Government of Sir Eric Gairy.

A large photograph of President Fidel Castro of Cubagreets visitors to Grenada's media centre in the capital. On the dusty, wind-swept Point Saline area not far away, dozens of Cuban lorries and bulldozers are being used to build a £20m international airport. have been a Grenada revolu-But he has rejected American claims that this 133-square mile spice exporting island is becoming a Cuban or Soviet satellite.

He said the Government's foreign policy statements—which include an atrack on the Israeli-Feynrian peace agreetion."

which include an attack on the Israeli-Egyptian peace agreement and approval of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan—were part of a principled policy of support for oppressed people. The Grenada Government now has relations with 17 nations and has said it is building a wide-ranging diplomatic

two-week festival marking the anniversary of the overthrow of

unemployment, a high illiteracy rate, low export earnings, inadeuate housing and poor health facilities.

Most aid so far has come from Cuba, which is meeting roughly half the cost of build-

ing the new airport. The Cubans are also providing Grenada with 11 fishing trawlers and

training Grenada youths in fishing and agriculture. mg and agriculture.

Mr Bishop said that Cuba had offered Grenada the kind of aid that uscally took years to acquire. The revolution on March 13 last year showed Grenada who its true friends

In an apparent reference to the United States, he said wealthy countries offered Gren-ada only a trickle of aid in exchange for anti-Cuban poli-

The Government says Grenada wants the Caribbean to be a zone of peace, free of armies and military bases. It has also ing a wide-ranging diplomatic called for self-determination for This is needed to bolster a country whose population suf-fers from malnutrition, mass territories which it says are under British, American, Dutch

and French colonialism.

The Government has also called for an end to what it calls the arming and financing of "counter-revolutionaries and anti-popular, anti-democratic or anti-progressive regimes", and respect for the sovereignty, legal equality and territorial integrity for the region's islands.
--Reuter.

Cuba ill-treating political prisoners, report claims Washington, March 13. - A never been given the opportu-

report released yesterday by nity to defend themselves the Organization of American before an impartial judge, for Cuban Government of ill-treating many political prisoners and jailing some without trial.

The report was prepared by the OAS's Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. The commission said it was based on evidence provided by Cubans and reports of alleged violations of human rights. The report says the Cuban

Government had not provided any information about the treatment of prisoners. The OAS expelled Cuba in 1962. "The treatment of 'intrausi-

gent' prisoners is characterized by mistreatment, absence of medical attention, lack of proper food and absence of due process ", the report says."

"There are people in prisons who have never been brought to trial, with no evidence against them, and who have

Prison conception

Berlin, March 13 .- A man and a woman, both serving life terms for child murder, have ill after eating poisoned flour conceived a child inspite of the in a village in northern Lebapresence of guards during social non, officials said today. A periods. The two were married | Lebanese Army medical team in a West Berlin prison two has been sent to treat the

States (OAS), accused the merely having been considered harmful " The report adds: "The legal

system in Cuba prevents free expression and any expression of disagreement with the Socialist system. There are individuals who are in prison for merely having expressed their opposition to the system."

The report also says there are hundreds of people in prison for trying to escape from Cuba. "Political prisoners are sub-

jected to forced 'abour, which is a violation of International Labour Organization conventions on this subject, ratified by the Government of Cuoa." The report says 3,500 political prisoners were released last year after negotiations detween

the Cuban Government and Cuban exiles, but about 1,000 people remain in jail on political charges.—Reuter.

Poisoned flour deaths

Beirut, March 13. - Nine

people died and 30 were taken

Queen's Bench Divi

Interest practice overruled

Winsor v Schroeder Before Mr Justice Woolf [Judgment delivered March 7]

[Judgment delivered March 7]

Where money is ordered to be paid into court as a condition of leave to defend under RSC Order 14, and the defendant "appropriates" the whole or part of the sum within the meaning of Order 22, rule 8, so that it is deemed to be a voluntary payment in, interest which has accrued on the sum appropriated should only be transferred by the Accountant General to the cash account of the Paymaster General in accordance with rule 27 (3) of the Supreme Court Fund Rules, 1975, where the plaintiff has accepted the sum in satisfaction of the claim before the trial of the action, as provided by Order 22, rule 3(1).

Rule 27(3) provides: "For the purposes of payment out of court, the Accountant General shall deal with the sum appropriated in accordance with rule 43(1) and

the Accountant General shall deal with the sum appropriated in accordance with rule 43(1) and shall transfer any interest accrued in respect of the amount withdrawn from deposit...to the cash account of Her Majesty's Paymoster General in accordance with rule 51(3)."

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Rule 43(1) provides: "Money
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with rule 27 ... which has been
accepted under Order 22, rule
3(1), shall be paid by the Accountant General to the plaintiff. .".

appropriates 15,265 out of that sum by notice dated June 11, 1979, so that it might be treated as a voluntary payment in. The sum was not accepted by the plain-tiff, and at the trial Mr Justice Woolf ordered that the sum in court should be paid out, with in-

terest. to Mrs Schroeder. The Accountant General maintained that the interest which had accrued on the appropriated sum did not fall within the judge's order, but should be transferred to the Paymaster General by reason of rule 27(3).

Mr Justice Woolf granted an application by Mrs Shroeder for a declaration that the interest which had accrued on the sum paid into court by her under Order 14, as a condition of leave to defend, and later appropriated under Order 22, rule 8, was payable to her by the Accountant General notwithstanding the provisions of rule 27(3).

Mr R. Russell for Mrs Schroeder; Mr Simon Brown for the Accountant General.

MR TUSTICE WOOLF said that

the Accountant General.

MR JUSTICE WOOLF said that where money was paid into court as a condition of liberty to defend, it was placed on deposit and earned interest. If nothing further happened, the court giving judgment was able to deal with the interest accrued up to the date of trial. Where notice of appropriation was given so as to treat the payments as voluntary, the Accountant General had taken the view that the consequence of appropriation was that, in all cases, the interest on the sum appropriated had to be transferred to the cash account of the Paymaster General as required by rule 2713) of the Supreme Court Pund Rules, 1975.

If that were right, it would mean that giving notice of appropriation had serious consequences to a party ordered to pay money into court. The present case was such an example. At the time notice of appropriation was given the sum paid into court had earned 1741 interest. If the Accountant General's construction of the rule was correct, the applicant would lose the interest as a consequence of allowing the plaintiff to take the sum out of court by the notice of appropriation, the Accountant General.

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not to accept the sum and Schroeder succeeded in the a That result could properly I garded as unjustified. The matter turned on th

The matter turned on the terpretation of rule 27(3), when road literally seemed dicate that for the purpor payment out of court, the countant General had to deal the sum in accordance with 43(1), and transfer the is accrued in accordance with 51(3). As a result of the tance of both counsel his lip had come to the couch that the rule did not have automatic effect.

Mr Simon Brown, for the

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a nuclear device From Kuldip Nayar Delhi, March 13 Minister, said today the would not hesitate to c a nuclear explosion if. necessary in the natio Speaking in the Rajya speaking in the kapya (upper house), she saf India remained commit the peaceful use of technology. But she "The Government mus after the interests c

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after the nations a country. We must have eyes and ears open and touch with the latest tech We should not be caugi ping." Mrs Gandhi's st marked a departure and policy of her predecess Morarji Desai, who an arrange against c marked a departure in out nuclear explosion,

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India is reported to told the United States. will not renounce op nuclear explosions. The munication from Pr Carter that India must its position on nuclear sions before enriched u

supplies can be resumed Mr Homi Sethia, the man of India's Atomic Commission, has said if Tarapur nuclear power United States does not its commitment to nuclear fuel. "Our efforts in the

years towards self-relian. given us the confidence to such challenges," he Mrs Gandhi, did not a vociferous demand Rajya Sabha from memi her party for an investiga to the deal involving aircraft.

Mrs Gandhi said the ment would decide what purchase of the Jaguar the requirements of the Air Force, bearing in developments in the rest

Thailand hint of harder line on refuged

From Our Corresponden Bangkok, March 13
The likelihood that Ti
will soon adopt a less
policy towards Indo-Chin
gees was strengthened marks made today by Dr Khoman, the new Deputy Minister responsible for affairs.

Dr Thanat, expressing : that world concern for th gees had now turned to problems in the Middl and Afghanistan, asked were right for Thailand to out an open door polic for the sake of the

praises.
"Today we are runni of money but the bure the refugees) still exist said. "What we are go do is consider how to ourselves to the changing ation in order to achieve is best for our country. A record number of Indo-China refugees left land last month for rement in third countries. two thirds went to the I States. In February last only 2,559 refugees left land for resettlement. The 116,700 refugees in Thai and 150,000 Kampuchean classified as refugees, in be

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Mrs Schroeder had been granted leave to defend proceedings brought by Mr Robert Winsor, on condition that she paid £6,000 into court. That sum was placed on deposit in accordance with the Supreme Court Fund Rules, and began to earn interest. She appropriated £5,255 out of that sum by notice dated lune 11.

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Mr Simon Brown, for the countant General, wished to plastic that he was not the resist the application, but assist the court as to the present the court as the present the court as the present the court as the present t

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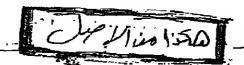
The intent of rule 27(3) is given a literal meaning that the money is the countain that the money is the contained with rule 43(1)... as 27(3) appeared to require.

Majesty's Paymaster General accordance with rule 51(3).
The applicant was entitled the declaration sought.
Solicitors: Teacher, Su
Hunter & Selby;

From Our Own Correspondent between the peace treaty with Jeruselem, March 13 Mr Moshe Dayan, the former Israeli Foreign Minister, gave a warning today that if no solution was found to the Pales-Egypt and autonomy, in essence there most certainly is ". Mr Dayan, who was involved in the initial stages of the peace process, claimed that "the link" was clearly written into agreements signed at Camp David, but not into the peace treaty itself. tinian question, many aspects "the link" with the listacli-Egyptian peace into agreement treaty could be destroyed. Mr Dayan said: "Even if, treaty itself. from the legal and literal assaid that any failure to sitting on a volcano that erupts pects, there is no linkage establish Palestinian autonomy

would mean that Israel could no longer claim not to have heard President Sadat's repeated statements that he was not willing nor able to make a separate peace.

"We are talking about political reality and if there is not a solution to the Palestinian issue, we will find ourselves



Protests at late night debate on Olympic Games: 'petty tyranny' taunt

he Government's decision to have three-hour debate on the Olympic ames starting late at night on londay brought an angry reaction om hir James Callaghan, Leader om Mr James Callaghan, Leader the Opposition, and from onservative backbenchers. Ir Callaghan said this difficult ad thorny subject was leading in Government into some petty arms of tyranoy.

It is not a little astomating (he issue there will be a free vote on this tide. (Cheers) It is not a little astounding (he id) that the House should be sked to consider what the overnment considers to be this aportant matter of the Olympic ames in a debate after the full ay has run at 10 o'clock at the House and the Government to take a different would want to take a different

Why is the Government trying smogele this through in this ay? Why do they not put it on a reasonable time so that the when will he put down the lotton and how long does he inno the debate to last. Is there be a free vote? h Norman St John-Stevas, hancellor of the Duchy of ancaster and Leader of the oase (Chelmsford, C)—I undersand that there were discussions trough the usual channels on iterative dates. This is the artiest date we can find. It is so necessary to have a debate sfore the conference which is to a held on March 17 and 18 by a nuber of countries including our-lives. (Labour shouts of Why?")

The reason is so that the lievant Foreign Office Minister ill have the advantage of knowing the will of the House.

The motion will be put down later today and it will be simply a motion concerning the invasion of Afghanistan and the undesirability in these circumstances of Britain taking part in the Olympic

Surely, in view of the great concern about this matter, in view of the distress caused to a great many athletes about it, and in view of the divisions in West, surely the Government should not try to amoggie this through at this time of night. or night.

It should have a proper and full debate, not one limited to three hours, so that we can debate and discuss the whole subject, a diffi-

discuss the whole subject, a difficult and thorny subject, which is,
at the moment, leading the
Government into some petty forms
of tyransy. (Labour cheers).
Mr St John-Stevas—It would not
be right to debate the terms of
the motion during questions about
business, particularly before it is
tabled. I was endeavouring to
assist Mr Callaghan in giving him
the general lines of the motion.
It will be tabled later today.

I do not think, in view of the

wide public debate of this matter, that there is any substance in accusing the Government trying to smuggle this motion through the Worse It is important to have this expression of will of the House of Commons before the conference takes place.

Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing, C) a former Olympic athlete—In view of what he said, is it not clear that the objective of the Govern-ment must be to persuade sport-ing bodies to boycott the Moscow Olympics ? Does he think that this task of persuasion is likely to he helped by haring a three-hour Jenate late at night rather than giving if the attention and importance that the attention, who are being asked to

make a major sacrifice, rightly de-serve? Will he reconsider this? Will he reconsider whether he should not table the motion inmediately in its precise terms? The athletes are very concerned that the Government is not doing everything possible in its own power and they are being asked to bear the main burden? (Loud Mr St John-Stevas—I know that Mr Higgins feels strongly on this issue (Labour cries of "We all do".).

I have said that the motion will be tabled later today. What is most important is that this House should have an opportunity to ex-press its view and that will be taken account of by British athletes. Mr David Price (Eastleigh, C)Did I understand him to suggest

that the Government wishes to hear the views of the House, if so, three hours after 10 o'clock is totally insequence. Will be full day's debate on the matter. (Labour cheers)

Mr St John-Steras-It would be desirable if we could have a longer debate. I have indicated the im-portance of the House expressing its mind at a time when it could bring about a direct influence on Government policy.

Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party, (Rosburgh, Sel-kirk and Peebles, L)—The Gov-eroment should think about this again. This is an important matter for the House to declare its view on. The country will not understand it declaring it at I o'clock Mr St John-Stevas-I have sym-

pathy with that point of view. It is necessary to have an early debate on the subject. Mr Callaghau-In view of the pression of opinion from all sides und on an all-party basis about the importance of having a full day's debate, is it really necessary to have the Social Security Bill next Tuesday and Wednesday? Could we have a debate on the Olympic Games on one of those two days?

Mr St John-Stevas-The difficulty is that the conference to which I have referred is taking place on March 17 and 18, It would be open to complain If the House was expressing its view on this matter after decisions had taken

time before we get to the Olym-pic Games. I do not know the status of this conference to which he has referred. I doubt if the arge him to think again, Why

Government to know the opinion of the House on this particular occasion, when it has been expressing its view freely so far without any difficulty through Mr St John-Stevas-The question

nels and it would have been pus-

sible to have had another debate if there had been agreement. Mr Cyrll Townsend (Bexley, Beyleyheath, C)—The House has Bevleyheath, C)—The House has spoken strongly against having a debate at a late hour on Monday. In view of that, would be reconsider the matter bearing in mind the object of the exercise is to try to parsuade public opinion of the claws of the Bouse 3. He the views of the House? knows the views of the House. Would be choose a more convenient time to have a greater im-part on public opinion? (Labour Creers) Mr St John-Stevas—We made every effort but we could not get an agreement.

ger an agreement.

Mr David Emals (Norwich, North Lab)—Does he consider he is properly fulfilling his functions as Leader of the House? He is not just leader of one side but of the whole House. Failing to respond to expressions from all sides that the timing of the debate on the Olympics is not only unsafifactor.

issue. Mr St John-Stevas—I am aware

my job is Leader of the House, that is why I made every effort to see if an agreement satisfactory to all sides of the House could be achieved. hir Cranley Onslow (Woking, C)— The reason the House is suffering the inconvenience of a debate on the Olympics at such an awkward time is because of the refusal of the Opposition . . (Loud inter-

Mr St John-Stevas-I de not think can be drawn into that kind of discussioa. Mr Catlaghan-It is the Govern-

ment which tells us when we are going to have supply days. Mr St John-Stevas—I do not want to go into details—(Cries of "Why pot")—because that is part of the conventions of the House. It is a fair point to make. I have made efforts to see if agreement can be obtained. Those efforts did not meet with success, I do not wish to go further than that.

Mr Imps-Kilfedder (North Down) Mr St John-Stevas-1 do not want Mr James-Killedder (North Down,

UU)—Olympic ethletes and their supporters will be fully entitled to disregard whatever wishes are exsed by the House in a debate which lasts for three hours after 10 o'clock on a Monday evening. It is up to the Covernment to provide proper and adequate time since it is trying to force its views through on the Olympics despite the wishes of the people of this country. (Loud Labour cheers).

on athletes taking part in the Olympics. The Government has made clear that in its oplion we should not take part in the games. This debate gives the House also an opportunity of expressing its line which is one of the traditional constitutional means of expressing Mr Harry Euring (Stirling, Falkirk and Grangemouth, Labi-Flow can

he pretend that the Government will take heed of what the House says when already this week we have seen three major decisions by the Government concerning withdrawal of diplomatic assistance to the Olympic team and instruc-tions that civil servants and Sericemen should not get staff leave at attend the games.

Is that an indication of the beed the Government will rake of the decision of the House? (Loud

Labour cheers). Mr St John-Stevas-The measure: the Government has taken on civil servants and armed forces is wholly consistent with Government policy that we should not officially take part in the games. That is totally without prejudice to the decisions individuals.

The purpose of the debate is

for the Government to assess the opinion of the House but, equally opinion of the House but, equally important, it is for the House to have an opportunity to express its line as the House of Commons on the issue.

Mr James Wellbeloved (Berley, Erith and Crayford, Lab)—The Government's inept handling of the issue of the Olympic hoycott has weakened the possibility of effective united action being taken in condemnation of the Soviet inva-

Would he seek to atouc in some measure for this inept handling by granting the united desire of the House to debate the Olympic issue at a proper time with a full-length debate? (Renewed cheers.) Air St John-Stevas-The Govern-ment and the Prime Minister have

given a clear lead not only to this country but other dations. We have taken early action on this matter and other countries are follouing our example. Earlier, during Prime Minister's questions, Mr Frank Dobson (Camden. Holborn and St Pancras. South, Lab) had asked Mrs Margaret Thatcher to reconsider the vindictive action she was taking against British athletes working lo The Olympic movement (be said) is the possession of the whole world. A boycout of the Moscow Games will do more damage to the Olympic movement and young ablest throughout the world than athletes throughout the world than it ever will to the entrenched gariatrics in the Kremlin. Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley. C)—The Olympic movement is one which is founded on peace be-tween different nations. The USSR has hardly observed

that necessity for peace and for that reason we are advising ath-letes not to participate in the Mos-cow Olympic Games. Many other countries are doing the same. the same of the same. It would not make sense to advise athletes not to go and then to give special leave to civil servants over and above their admalleave so that they can do. For that reason, we are not giving special leave either to them or to the Services.

Peers 'do no other' than throw out clause on school transport charges by 104 majority

he Government's latest proposal lat local authorities should be emitted to charge for school ansport for only the first two nidren in a family was only a arrow concession, the Duke of erfelk (C) said when the Education (No 2) Bill was again consistent in committee. ered in committee.

He said that the clause, Clause
(Transport; England and
sees), should not be part of the He believed there should be conomies and retrenchment, and set education should take its are. The country needed serious e Government's suggestion of targing for transport meant raking a promise of free trans-port over the three-unic walking Two groups would suffer un-stly. The first was the people to fred in rural communities, any village schools had been used on the express promise that ere would be free transport to

ere would be free transport to a next village. If the Government proceeded of would find it hard to set reement on closing down any one village schools. The villagers England had written to frim and all peers expressing in no uncerting terms how they agreed to osures on that understand why at promise should be ignored, are bitten twice shy. They would at allow any more to be closed. The second group which would fifer was the denominational teas. They had been sited for the pulation of their particular religions which had wide catchment cas. They had been sited for the pulation of their particular religions which was a convenient case to bus people. The most critical receiving free transport costs with nearly cases one school had en built between three or four was because it was a convenient ace to bus people. The most critical receiving the transport and the authority estimated that next year the cost of the denominational transport will the fire mile limit was that their children had free transport willed the fire mile limit was that their children had free transport willed the fire mile limit was that their children had free transport willed the firm that their children had free transport willed the firm that their children had free transport willed the firm that their children had free transport willed the firm that their children had free transport will be those living within the three mile the set will be the proposed to the the sum to such a case of the cost of school transport was as the cost of school transport was as the cost of school transport and the cost of see transport and the cost of school transport was as the cost of school transport and the cost of school transport was as the cost of school transport and the cost of school transport all peers expressing in to uncer-in terms how they agreed to ocures on that understanding and ey could not understand why

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Lady Young, Minister of State r Elocation, would say that the rest two child pupils would have pay and the third and others ould be able to go free.

If one took a family of Tom, ick and Harry that meant that m and Dick would have to pay at Harry would knee to pay. When Dick had a bicycle cident and was mable to go to hool for six months Harry would have by you there have mable to go to hool for six months Harry would we to pay. If Dick sight a schol-able on the assisted places heme Harry would have to pay. If Dick sight have left, Dick ight have left, Dick ight have left, Dick ight have left, and have to pay. If on not believe (he said) that his concession of only paying for yo is all that much. It is rather a millow concession, if is going to a massoluth heaven for the reaucrats. Can you imagine orking out whether Harry is bling to get if free or not, and hether the family 20es on to implementary benefit or not? How were the bureaucrats going a collect the momey from the didren at the bursancrats going to collect the momey from the didren at the bursancrats going to collect the momey from the didren at the bursancrats going to collect the momey from the didren at the bus stops? This was at a sensible concession.

He had received thousands of the formal and others the charge of continued. What they were being asked to pay was a countinued to the charge of the concern expressed to the concern expressed when the fall was debated in the House of Commons, the Secretary of State had moved an amendment to the effect that the charge to be levied could only be a fint rate charge. After the charge to be levied could only be a fint rate charge. The concern expressed in the concern expressed in the charge to two children in any one family. The House should consider carefully life in the charge to two children in any one family. The House should consider carefully life in the charge of being the province of commons, the second reading from home to school conditions. The formal from home to sch r so much of its integrity.
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He had received over 2,000 signatures. Every letter except three said how much people were behind him in what he was doing. One of the three came from an old lady in Cumbria who said she had had to walk four miles to school and that it would be much better for modern youth to walk six, and not be so wet. (Laughter.)

The Comprose should be allowed The Commons should be allowed

to have another look and the Lord Bill.
Lady Young, Minister of Sixte for Education and Science, said the Government had decided savings must be made in the education budget and that those savings must come from the non educational parts of that budget, namely meals, milk and transport.
The Government wished to preserve the basic fabric of the education system, in particular the teacher numbers. The Government

teacher numbers. The Government believed good teachers were central to the maintenance of educational standards in schools. The Association of County Councils had asked the Govern-ment to give newer to local edu-

children had free transport while those living within the three mile radius had to pay the full economic cost.

Charging for transport had not recently arisen. It had been con-sidered in 1972. The last Labour Government considered the posi-tion in 1975 and put out a consul-tative document in which they proposed to empower local authori-

out at £100 per child receiving free transport. Lord Butler of Saffron Walden (C) said he was convinced after a lifetime of service to education that his view on the Government's school transport proposals was the only course he could pursue. It was not being done for small poli-

tical reasons.

When it came to the saving of 20 or £30m, he had had letters not only from mothers and fathers but also from education officers. There would be grave extravagance and waste of money if the Government's amendment was accepted. He very much doubted if there would be any saving.

Transport was a vital part of the settlement of 1944. Denominations and other parmers involved tions and other parmers involved in that settlement were given an assurance that their children would be got to school.

These proposed charges were not just going to upset Roman Catholics; they were going to upset the Anglican community, the Free Church federal council and the National Union of Teachers. If he had brought into the Chamber all the letters he had received on this issue, it would have required a cabin trunk. Many of them came from mothers and fathers. There was an extrarathers. In the was an extra-ordinary national feeling of dis-array against the clause.

In 50 years of public life he had received as many letters on only two other occasions—the 1944 Education Act and Suez.

Education Act and Suez.

Politics (he said) is largely a matter of the heart. People are feeling this deeply all over the country. The rural areas are feeling neglected. They are losing their shops and their post offices.

When they made up their minds, he would say to the cross bench peers: "You do not want to take a step today, by retaining this clause, which will create or maintain any bitterness in the maintain any bitterness in the settlement which we have created between the churches and the

between the churches and the state. (Cheers) The Conservative Party has always been arrongest when it has supported the rural areas. We should not accept this He felt like Martin Luther that
"I can do no other" and he
asked pears to "do no other".
(Cheers) Lady David (Lab), an Opposi-Lady David (Lab), an Opposition spokesman, said Labour peers
would opose the clause. If the
Bill's proposals were passed the
government would be guilty of
several breaches of faith.
One of these would be to the
many parents who had had to put
up with the closing of their village
achools. Inevitably there would be
the general destruction of village
life and of rural communities. It life and of rural communities. It would contribute to the general depopulation of English villages.

depopulation of English villages. The Government had already made a saving of £200m on meals and milk and now wanted to make a much smaller saving of £20m. What would be the cost of administering this autrordinarily complicated affair?

People were worried about what would happen as a result of this new and astounding Government decree. There were strong and rebellions feelings all over the country. A letter she had received from a woman ended: "You and your fellow peers, lords and ladies, are our last hopes. Please for the sake of our children and the future of this country help us."

Viscount Simon (L) said the clause should be eliminated from the Bill, Lady Young had taked about an open-ended subsidy. Is this a subsidy? (be asked). It is part of the cost of education. (Cheers.) You cannot edu-

The administrative costs what was proposed were likely to be considerable. The Bishop of London said that this was for many a deep matter of conscience. The Church of England did not claim any particular privileges, but it recognized that the 1944 Act was an agreement between all the parties concerned education, especially in the dual system.
It was understood that children

should go to the schools where they wished to receive their edu-cation. The conditions in that agreement should be observed. There were profound issues in the clause. One was the issue of justice. Was it right that because the child lived a long way from a school the parents should have to carry what might be a considerable account of the parents and the child expense in getting their child

it was a strange use of logic to say that justice should be restored by everybody having to pay. Logic should be restored by none of the should be restored by home of the percets having to pay.

I have always understood (be said) that it was one of the great prides of this occupity that for those parents who wished their children to be educated free, that education shall be freely available to all of them.

to all of them.

I cannot believe it is credible to say that if you happen to live outside the three mile limit therefore you should get free education so long as you pay for your children to go to school. That seems to me to be a complete negation of the cital principle that if county dealers rimi principle that if purents desire for their children free education they shall have it. Lord Thorney croft (C) said that

Lord Thorneycroft (C) said that the interest on the mation's debt would pay for the whole of the education service. That was the measure of the country's failure, why it was faced with inflation soaring upwards and desperately high interest rates. The realities had to be faced. The real damage that was being done to children, families, and homes was not in transport to schools but in the hitter impact of inflation.

That damage did not just affect Catholics, but it affected everybody. It was not confined to the rural areas; it was right across the country. The Government had to contain expenditure. There was no alternative course, save to embark upon a desperately difficult and controversial exercise to contain expenditure. to contain expenditure.

Lord Alexander of Potterbill said
that if the clouse went through
his would feel that rural reorganizations had been sold on a false

prospectus. Lord Soper (Lab) said that he did not ramember a time when he bad received so many letters from ordinary people who felt this was a breach of confidence and something that should not be productiven by a reputable undertaken by a reputable government. This was an impoverishment of true education.

The clause was rejected by 216 votes to 112—majority against the Government, 104. The corresponding clause relating to Scotland was deleted from the Bill without a division.

Best advice available on safety of pesticides

dence to justify the decision of the agricultural workers' union to bon the use of the pesticide 2.4.5.T. hir Jerry Wiggin, Parliamen-tary Secretary, Ministy of Agriculture. Fisheries and Food, said at question time.

Mr John Robertson (Berwick and East Lothian, Lab) had asked what advice was available to the minis-ter on the safety of chemicals used in connexion with agricultural production.

Mr Wiggin (Weston-super-Mare, C)—Thanks to the efforts, experience and stature of the independent Advisory Committee on Pesticides the Government has the best advice that is available. Mr Robertson-Wby is it that ministers and the advisory commit-

ministers and the advisory commit-tee assume from a chemical is safe until someone else can prove it is dangarous? Will be review the composition of the advisory com-mittee and include representatives of the practical agricultural in-dustry and the health and safety executive and suspend the use of 2.475-T in view of evidence brought before him yesterday (Wednesday) by the farmworkers

Mr Wiggin—There are the strictest possible tests for pesticides and medicines, conducted first on animais and right through the whole scale. Then the committees concerned investigate any complaint about the chemicals. Mr Robert Cryer (Keighley, Lab)—The experience in Sweden

of agricultural workers and people bandling 2,4.5.T in suffering from soft tissue cancer was not taken into account by the penticides advi-sory committee. Urgent action should be taken to suspend the use and application of

this chemical now.

Air Wiggin—Any evidence from whatever source, in this country or anywhere else in the world, on this or any other approved chemical is immediately examined. The committee is looking into all the details of the Swedish case, but not all of those facts are yet available.

We Bern Mesers, chief Opposition all of those facts are yet available.

Mr Roy Mason, chief Opposition spokesman on agriculture (Bartuley, Lab)—There is widespread concern about the use of 2,4,5.T. It is being banned by trade unions, workers and local authorities.

As the agricultural workers' maion has presented a new dossier of evidence and the Pesticides Advisory Committee is examining it, why can be not advise everyone it, why can be not advise everyone to stop using the chemical until that review is complete?

Mr Wiggin—I doubt if we could respond faster. The minister said yesterday that he would meet the chairman of the advisory committee and the chairman of the NUAW tee and the chairman of the NUAW and that meeting will take place within a few days.

On the union's opposition to the use of this chemical. I am mystified by the rationality of such a decision. There is no proper scientific evidence for such a decision.

The Labour Government relied. on the evidence of that committee. It has an intervational reputation which this Government intends to

Cost of EEC membership and support

There had been a reduction of 1536m in the combined cost of EEC membership and support for agriculture, fisheries, food and forestry for 1979-80 compared with 1974-75, Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said during questions. This reduction was more than accounted for by the fall of \$1,007m in expenditure on food subsidies.

Mr Ralph Howell (North Norfolk, Mr Raiph Howell (North Norfolk, C)—While I support the Government in trying to get better terms for membership of the EEC, has sufficient credit been given to the savings to the taxpayer which has resulted from our membership of the EEC?

Mr Walker—I read with interest the letter Mr Howell wrote to The Times. Although his letter showed that there had been a fall of £536m, if you take into account the eradication of the food subsidy programme of the last Labour Gov-

Government announce £3m aid to ease problems of fishing industry

Ald of £2m to the fishing industry for six months beginning on April 1 together with another £1m to extend the programme of exploratory voyages to assess the commer-cial potential of under-utilized species was announced by Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Mr Walker (Worcester, C) in a statement, said: that assistance from the Government was justified ind necessary. The fishing industry (he sald) faces great difficulties. It is having to adjust to reduced fishing oppor-tunities. It is uncertain about the future because we are still in the process of negotiating on a common fisherics policy in the EEC. And the recent economic pressures have added substantially to the

problems. This is threatening the whole structure of our industry. To meet this situation the Gov-ernment intend to introduce two erament intend to introduce two scherues of temporary aid.
First we propose to make up to fim available to the industry through the fish producers' organizations over the period April 1 to September 30. This will be in the form of financial aids to be used for a range of prescribed purposes.
These purposes include belping the industry to cover part of the cost of intervention so as to maintain withdrawai prices, the provision of temporary laying-up premiums, the payment of dock, har-

adding the payment of dock, har-bour and lauding dues and the financing of approved programmes to improve the grading, handling and sales promotion of fish. It is an important feature of the scheme that it will give producer organizations a real degree of discretion so that they can match their efforts to the specific needs of the areas in which they operate.

after notification to the European Commission and consultation with action can be taken. ine thatsiry, which will take piece as soon as possible.

In addition, we propose to allucate a further lim to extending the programme of exploratory voyages to assess the commercial potential

for exploiting under-utilized spccies.

The Government was urged to act quickly. This we have done. We believe that our proposals taken together will benefit the great majority of fishermen.

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The Government remains determined to try to reach a Community fisheries policy that provides a good future for the industry, and the decisions that I have the decisions that I have announced today will enable the industry to take advantage of an agreement when it is reached. Atr Roy Mason, chief Opposition apokesman on agriculture (Barns-ley, Lab) said the statement would

be welcomed. Row (he asked) is Mr Walker going to determine the sharcout of the 22m between the ports bearing in mind the differences between the deep sea ports and those with inshore or middle distance opera-Is he satisfied that this £2m of

short-term aid to the fish pro-ducers organizations will be suffi-cient to stop the price wer in fish, encourage more British fish landings and give hope to the industry until a better common (isherits policy is realized? Mr Walker-The money will be distributed basically in accordance with catch values over the previous year. This is something we will be discussing with the industry. Immediately after the statement,

hir Patrick Wall (Haitemprice, C)—I see the grant expires un December 30, does he hope to have a common fisheries policy but-

toned up by them? Mr Walker-The date when agree ment will be reached is beyond accurate speculation. I hope, on the progress being made, that we can reach agreement by June. July or early autumn. We have based this programme on the period when there is likely to be uncertainty.

Air Donald Slewart (Western Islus, Scot Nat)—Can he assure us that this assistance is not intended as a beforehand softening in attitude to negociations on the common fisheries policy? Mr Walker—There is no possibility and no question at all of selling out the fishing industry for other

factors. Air John Robertson (Berwick and East Lothian, Labi — The vexed question of cheap and pouched im-ports is still causing enormous problem.

Mr Walker—There are industries that depend upon continuation of imports. For the the processing fish industries, a han on imports will not be to the henefit of every-Mr Alexander Pollock (Moray and

Nairn, C)—Does the Government remain firmly committed to a reg-ular examination of any evidence of import abuse and will he press for action against any such illegal

Fresh milk

Consumer groups urging the availability of uitra heat treated milk in supermarkets were advised by the Minister of Agriculture to con-

sider the dangers and implications for doorstep distribution of milk.

to the

doorstep

£5.300m for storage of food and for subsidies

Prosecutions for breaking

UK fisheries rules

Eighteen skippers of foreign fishing vessels and 59 skippers of United Kingdom vessels had been prosecuted by United Kingdom Government departments for Infringements of United Kingdom fisheries regulations during 1979. Mr Alick Buchanau-Smith, Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said.

He was replying to Mr Tom Torney (Bradford, South, Lab) who had asked how many foreign trawlers had been arrested and their captains brought before British courts for infringing British fisheries regulations in 1979 as compared with British trawlers.

Mr Torgey—What evidence is

Mr Torgey-What evidence is

there that in the case of French fishermen who might have been

errested, that this is a provocative arrested, that this is a provocative act by the French Government? Mr Buchanan-Smith (North Angus and Mearns, C)—1 sincerely hope that the French fishermen would

not do that.

The majority of French fish-

ermen do observe United Kingdom fishery regulations. Those that do not have been prosecuted and go

through the courts of law.

In the revised EEC draft budget for 1980 the EEC Commission's estimates for export refunds, sub-sidized sales within the EEC and sidized sales within the EEC and intervention purchase and storage totalled £5,300m, Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith. Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. said at question time.

Of this, milk and milk products accounted for £2,500m, cereals for £1,000m and sugar for £400m. He was replying to Mr Nigel Spearing (Newham, South, Lab) who had asked for the latest estimate cost in the EEC on the disposal, storage or subsidized sale of

sal, storage or subsidized sale of surplus farm produce. Mr Spearing further asked—Can be confirm that none of these surpluses arise from the United Kingdom and the share of the United Kingdom cost of disposing of these is rather less or about the same as the net budget deficit? rather less or about the same as the net budget deficit?
Is it not clear that virtually all our monetary budgetary disadvantage from the EEC comes through the common agricultural policy?

Had we not better decide to get out before the going gets much worse?

Mr Buchanen-Smith—It is because of the need to control these sur-pluses that we are opposing price increases for those products in surplus. I hope he will acknowledge that the price lacreases last year, when this Government came to power, were at a lower rate than those when his party was in office. Mr Nicholas Winterton (Macclesfield, C)—Will be ensure that the Government does not make any concession to the EEC in implementing a co-responsibility levy and seek to persuade the EEC that the bulk sale of liquid milk through the daily plots is the way to reduce the surplement ther.

Mr Buchanan-Smith—He is right. That is why we are questioning so closely the kind of co-responsibility levy the Commission is proposite. The effect of that levy is going

Mr John Mackay (Argyll, C)—The only way we will stop blatant illegal fishing is to ensure that the fines are substantially greater than the profits that would arise from breaching the regulations.

Mr Buchanan-Smith—Fines are for the courts:

Mr Gavin Strang (Edinburg, East,

Lab)—Before any disparaging comparisons are drawn between the foreign and British vessels, one has to take account of the nature of the offences and the fact that these are British waters and a lot more British vessels are operating.

more British vessels are operating.

Would he accept that some of
the fish which is illegally caught by
our EEC partners and not registered under EEC bodies—and
there is documentary evidence for
this—is coming in as cheap fish?

Mr Buchanan-Smith—It is some
thing we are discussing with other

thing we are discussing with other EEC countries.

EEC countries.

Regarding the policing of regulations generally, it is significant that apart from the number of actual convictions, about 1.800 landings were made by United Kingdom fishery protection yessels in the course of last year.

Sir Anthony Meyer (West Film, C) said in a supplementary question that pressure, particularly from consumer organizations, on the availability of UHT milk in supermarkets, was a threat in the future continuation of supply of fresh milk to the doorstep. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agrito reduce the surplus and that therefore we must not damage that pints in any way? Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Worcester, C)—The doorstep distribution of milk is a vital institution in Britain, for Jobs, as a social service and for sales of liquid milk in the United Kingdom.

I hope that, whatever consumer organizations say and blast off about, they will recognize the potential dangers and implications for doorstep distributions. to tax all countries, all producers, regardless of whether they are contributing to the overall surplus or not. The United Kingdom milk

potential dangers and implications for doorstep distribution.

Mr John Robertson (Berwick and East Lothian, Lab)—Will the minister explain the utter perversity which proposes to run down supplies of milk to schools when the European Community is prepared to pay four-fifths of the cost? Mr Walker-We are leaving local authorities the freedom to decide

that. Mr Selwyn Gummer (Eye, C)—It is unacceptable that a subsidiary tof the Milk Marketing Board), Dairy Crest, should force retailers to sell milk in carrons instead of returnable bottles when they do not increase the waste of natural resources and are cheaper than the resources and are cheaper than the cartons foisted on the public.

Mr Walker—I shall look into that.

Mr Thomas Torney (Bradford, South, Lab)—Will the minister discuss with the chairman of the Milk Marketing Board a plan to secure 150m of our money back from the

Mr Walker-I have already had a Air Walker—I have already had a dialogue with the chairman of the MMB and the presidenc of the NFU and they are considering potential plans on the question. In a later reply, Mr Walker said that there were some remarkable. that there were some remarkable succes sstories in marketing, but there was no doubt that the potennal could be considerably enhanced if they had improved

No decision yet on siting of Inmos project

ow was the time for the Govern-ten to honour its commitment to mid the Inmos micro-processor roject and to decide, whether to rant the necessary industrial de-elopment certificate to enable the ecopinem cerunicate to ename the ret of two production units to be tilt in Bristol, Mr Michael Colvin.

Bristol, North-West, C) said in a consolidated Fund Bill-debate of lednesday night on finance for te National Enterprise Beard.

ir Alan Williams (Swansea, West, ab) said the management consulting freport on the string of the mos project at Bristol had not een made available even to the unister concerned (Mr David Mirall Inder Secretary for In-

hell. Under Secretary for Inustry).

fr William Waldegrave (Bristol,
vest, C) said risk was the key
ord when talking about Inmos.
he company faced some of the ably strong.

The objective of this NEB venThe objective of this NEB ven-

ture was to give Britain the capabi-lity which it needed to face the future. That was enough to be going on with, without the addi-tion of social Objectives. tion of social objectives.

Mr Charles Morris (Manchester. Openshaw, Lab) said the siting of the production units and technology centre ought to have been decided on something more substantial than where a handful of technologists might wish to live at any one time. any one time.

In Arthur Palmer (Bristol, North-East, Lab) said in putting the case for Bristol he was echoing the views of the Labour movement in Bristol and of the Labour majority on the city council. He would have

would not necessarily lose by that but they would lose if Immos did not succeed.

Mr David Mitchell, Under Secretary for Industry (Basingstoke, C) said the future of Immos and the location of its production facilities had attracted a great deal of specularity. The Government weakness. The Government would take full account of all the available to the way not able tonight to

second £25m.

He was not able tonight to amounce any decision by the Gov-erament on either the further pubication of the company or the location of its first United Kingdom manufacturing unit. Both decisions would be made as soon He could find no record of an unqualified commitmenat the proinquantee commineral the project would go to an assisted area.
The IDC application was received some weeks ago. Much of the processing was under way on a conjugency basis before a decision had

made in relation to the

The Government was aware of social problems and unemployment in areas of structure weakness. The Government would take full account of all the points made by the various interested parties.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 2) The Consolidated Fund (No 2)
Bill was read a second time and
passed through its remaining
stages.

House of Commons

Parliamentary notices

House adjourned 1.39 am today.

Today at 9.50: Private Members' Biffs Abbrilon (Amendment) Bill, remairing

econd £25m. Informal discussions by the committee to Lorus (No 2) gin. | erument it shows a rise of £471m. | That is a considerable sum.

regulations for Mr Alan Tyrrell (London, East, exchanges were n ED) said during the debate that competition betwee the proposal would extend to investors in other member states protection already enjoyed by inexchanges were made too rigid.
competition between them would
diminish, impeding the flexibility
with which they were able to adapt

Retaliation rejected

Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agri-culture, Fisheries and Food, rejected advice from a Labour MP to use directly applicable law to settle the French lamb issue in the French courts.

Mr Michael Meacher (Oldham. West, Lab) said—The French action over lamb quotas, quenforceable by the Commission, is a text-book lesson that French politicing rather than legality is the right way to deal with the Common Market

marketing systems Crittall double glazing (Sec page 9) faither Maryanian post course to Coltrad Warnalde Ltd FREEPOST, Drietel Road, Waltam, Esse, CMB 3AM. Tel. 0376 (Waltam) \$13481 Name: Miless <u>Crittall</u>

Move to debate immigration fails

tembers of the Socialist and Communist groups protested, some by anging their desks and stamping their feet, when there was an parent misunderstanding over office of the Socialist and Commergency debate on the British overnment's proposed immigration of the Barry Seal (Yorkshire, West, oc) moved the motion which said te proposals would mainly affect oloured women. He said the Gov Mrs Barbara Castle (Greater Man-

the ralings of these institutions, it will comply with the law.

After voting on a show of honds the Vice-President, Mr Marcel Vandewiele (Belgium, EPP) who was in the chair aunounced the motion defeated by 101 to 99. During protests, Mrs Castle said a margin of only two called for a fresh vote using the standing and string system.

Parliament approved a report from the Legal Affairs Committee on a Commission proposal laying down rules on information to be published regularly by companies whose transferable securities are admitted to official stock exchange listing. sitting system.

Mr Vandewiele then corrected the figures, saying there had been 110 wotes against the motion and 91 for, so the application for an emerated the state of the

practice followed Parliament approved a report from vestors through the London Stock the Legal Affairs Committee on a Exchange.

London Stock Exchange

A second justification for the measure was to facilitate the quo-tation of securities on more than one stock exchange in the Community.

Market. Will Mr Walker use directly applicable law to settle the matter in the French courts, or use the

the bigger EEC and budget issues; Mr Walker (Worcester, C)-I do not believe that the French are gaining advantage out of their cur-rent posture. The last Council of Ministers, by eight votes to one, condemned the French The decision of the Commission to take a Community injunction against France will. I believe, prove to be in the British interest. It would be easy for me to

announce some speedy retaliation

Europe, which is probably what Mr Meacher wants.

FOREIGN REPORT

After Robert Mugabe's victory

South Africa's race to preempt rising expectations of blacks

Wiffle white South Africans were aston-isted and appalled by the victory of Mr Robert Mugabe in Southern Rhodesia last tek, black South Africans celebrated wildly in new hope for their own future. Black popular opinion in South Africa can only be judged from demonstrations. When Angola and Mozambique, and now Zimbabwe, were "liberated", there was discing in the streets, but when Bishop Abel Muzorewa became the first Prime Minister of Zimbabwe, everyone stayed at

If Mr P. W. Botha, South Africa's Prime Minister, had hoped to give black South Africans a feeling of belonging to the country he had not succeeded by October 19, 1979, when John Tate the black African boxer defeated the white South African Comic Contract in Presents There African Gerrie Coetzee in Pretoria. There was jubilation in the black community for

.Identifying a leadership for this radicalism is not easy. The Covernment and the white media recognize the homeland leaders but blacks clearly seek more inde-pendent politicians. Most of their imporpendent politicians. Most of their impor-tant natural leaders are dead, in prison or in exile and the survivors and new-comers are feeling their way along the walls of banning orders, detentions and other restrictive measures.
None of the black people I met during my, two-month stay in South Africa were impressed by the changes which the. Government has announced in fact, most were suspicious and dismissive.

were suspicious and dismissive.

This is because what whites perceive as apartheid is different from what blacks see as apartheid. Whites see apartheid as eparate amenities, the ban on blacks eating in white restaurants and the ban on radial intermarriage. What whites see as snartheid is changing but this agenda of change does not include those aspects of apartheid which most affect blacks.

· There is broad agreement among blacks da what they want to be free from but not on how to achieve it or what to put in its

All black people seem solidly opposed to the policy of independence for the home-lands. It takes away even their second-class citizenship in South Africa and their Expectation of ever sharing in the wealth which they and their fathers have helped

Urban blacks emphasize their hatred passbooks, having to live in townships, the inferior Bantu education system and discrimination in jobs and wages. In rural aneas they are affected more by rising prices and land shortage than direct

All blacks recognize at least the symbolic leadership of Nelson Mandela parti-cularly since the decline of the Pau African Congress in the wake of the death of Robert Sobukwe, its founder. The release of Mr Mandela would represent for many blacks a genuine desire by the Government for a nagotiated future.

The Rhodesian election results appalled the whites and delighted the blacks of South Africa. The blacks are agreed on what they want but not on how to achieve it.

But after agreement on these essentials, politically conscious blacks divide indispointcary into three camps: the followers of Chief Gatsha Buthelezi and his Instatha movement, the Black Consciousness move-ment and the African National Congress. Inkatha, refounded by Chief Buthelezi in 1975, is a mass movement of 278,000 mainly Zulu members. Chief Buthelezi is politically astute, powerful and feared by the whites. He has assumed the adminis-tration of the Zulu homeland but refuses

to accept independence for it. to accept independence for it.

Recently be has been trying to expand the membership of Inkanha in non-Zulu areas, particularly in Soweto and the trade unions in Durban. He has carefully organized his constituency but he has not disclosed how he intends to use it. Although he makes vigorous attacks on the system and claims the backing of the African National Congress, he is broadly reformist in action and uses his position wishly the system to try to change it. He within the system to try to change it. He warmly welcomed Mr Mugabe's election

Critics, mainly Black Consciousness leaders, say he is power-sungry and has accepted the homeland policy in all but name and is therefore no different from the universally despised homeland leaders, who are regarded as self-outs. They also claim that lokaths is politically inward-looking and it is impossible for non-members to get jobs or houses in KwaZulu.

The Black Consciousness movement, badly mauled in 1976-77, now finds its main expression through Azepo, the Azenian People's Organization, and the black civic associations.

Azapo has an abrasively uncompromising public stance but its leadership is far more moderate than some younger blacks would like. At this stage it is simply trying to rebuild its structure.

The Black Consciousness philosophy, as expounded by the late Steve Biko, holds that blacks are oppressed because they are black and they must liberate them-

selves by rejecting those elements in their lives—psychological, cultural and political—which have been imposed on them by the whites. While personal conversion is manifest throughout South Africa in a new black pride and self-confidence, Black Consciousness is an education process built on a philosophy. It can treate political awareness but has no political strategy except non-cooperation. For this to work all blacks must take this view, which they clearly do not.

As the Government brings down many of the social apartheid beariers and strengthens the economic barriers, the urban black with a good job and a jownship house on a 99-year-lease may find it difficult to identify himself politically with a landless peasant in an impoverished homeland. That is why many young blacks see that the commercial ventures of some Black Consciousness leaders will allow them to be outflanked by the Government's changes.

Mostly young, urban and unemployed.

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Mostly young, urban and unemployed, the blacks in the third political group have a homespun Marxist approach and seek a future with the ANC. Many of them are leaving the country for military training with the ANC.

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with the ANC.

The recent gueroilla attacks on police stations and the hold-up of a listik near Pretoria were designed as morate hoosters but they were significant for their holdness and the fact that the groups were not infiltrated by the police, as they have been in the ract.

The future of South Africa is a race The future of South Africa is a race between black aspirations and white ability to preempt or satisfy them. Perhaps the most significant difference between Mr Botha and his predecessors is that he is not imposing a racial ideology, he is pragmatically working out a plan for survival in a black continent. The whites have lost the overall initiative.

It may be that white South Africa, underprinted by a strong economy and a strong army, can prove supple enough to absorb enough blacks into the system to blunt the militancy of the rest, most of whom will be shuffled off into independent homelands.

lionelands.

On the other hand, a growing guerrilla movement operating in tural and urban sreas could undermine confidence in the economy, increase unemployment and create a spiral of discontent and eventually a long drawn out bloody civil war.

But the support of the front-line states is vixal for guerrilla warfars. The ANC can expect a lot of help from the Soviet Union because South Africa is an important pawn in the East-West game and the new from line leaders are fundamentally opposed to the apartheid state and will strive to disengage their economies from South Africa's.

The timeable of change in South Africa is more likely to be set by what happens within that country than by change in the countries to the north of it.

Richard Dowden

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Danger seen if détente collapses in Europe

Finns keep low posture over Afghan affair

Mere in Europe with more egest than in Finland. Sinus naturally feel worried time their giant neighgets involved in conflicts, the fear is not that the tanks will turn on Finafter completing their ess in Afghanistan or elsebut that irreparable ge might be done to te, and that war might

TUG occupation of Afghanisad at first a chilling effect inland, because Moscow the Soviet-Afghan friendtreaty to claim legitimacy friendship treaty with oviet Union.

was soon seen that Moscow ed to keep the European r quier, and this strength-the Finnish belief that ist and's policy, based on good relations, with East as well as remational crisis, too. com the start. Finnish offic-

adopted an extremely denie the Soviet invasion even Grant Assembly Finland abspided from voting on the African issue, explaining that traditional foreign policy

nary lengths not to offend the Soviet Union, and followed the routine model in this kind of situation; first a statement regretting what had happened, followed by abstention in the United Nations yote, and then a statement morally condemning the act. This high-wire act is supposed to please everyone, including the neighbouring superpower, but it has enraged public opinion.

Unofficially, everyone ready to point out that this is no time for a small country in Finland's position to make too much noise. Simultaneously, decision-makers eagerly point out that even bigger countries like West Germany, which are further away from the Soviet Union but which have an interest in detente have kept coal heads cool heads.

It is also pointed out that Finland is in a totally different position from Afghanistan Lecause capitalistic Finland has been able to build her relations with the Soviet Union on a basis which guaranteed both the stability of Russia's north-western border and Finland's freedom. Relations between the two countries have been very stable, and both emphasize frequently that they are not affected by ups and downs in the international situation. 'All this does not hide the fact that Finns are very worried

Soviet intervention in forces her to remain outside about the collapse of détents, and a nuclear-free zone for listan has been watched superpower conflicts. Finland had been one of the Scandinavia but as yet the new Finland went to extraordi- main beneficiaries of it and has worked hard to improve East-West relations. Helsinki is much more worried about Nato plans for new missiles, which might change the balance in Europe, than about Afgheni-

> The planned cruise missiles especially caused concern in Finland, as well as in her neutral neighbour Sweden, because these new weapons are difficult to destroy, and they could fly low over Scandinavia to targets in the Kola peninsula. one of Russia's main missile bases.

> This possibility leads to the danger that the Soviet Union might feel tempted to offer Finland "help" against these weapons. The military part of the Russo-Finnish friendship treaty stipulates that Finland must prevent any attack against the Soviet Union through

> The possibility of such Soviet
> help "was raised in an article
> distributed to Scandinavian magazines last autumn by the Soviet news agency Novosti. Such articles have been used before by Russia to put out feelers. This one had a sobering effect as it came less than two years after Finland had rejected joint military man-

Finnish leaders have worked

weapons pose a clear problem for Finland and Sweden. The Finnish answer to all international difficulties is

simply continued bard work for détente. Finland is as strong or weak as the European structure. A great majority of Firms have accepted the postwar brand of neutrality, which is based on good relations with the giant eastern neighbour combined with traditional western free

Tiris policy, called the Passikivi-Kekkonen line after two successive presidents, has anothed Finland to stabilize her position, improve ties to the West without giving concessions to the Russians, and to keep out of ham's way.

Any deterioration in the European situation is immedia-tely felt in Finland, which quietly hopes that the Soviet

Union does not feel insecure enough to begin counting her friends. In fact, latest Soviet writings about the post-Afghanistan situation do suggest that Moscow wants to avoid any changes in the north of Europe. This tends to confirm the Finnish basic impression that the Soviet policy towards her north-western neighbours is most conservative. No news from the north-west is good

Olli Kivinen

What does the name Strocapoff mean to you? Perhaps it evokes thoughts of exquisite-ly tender beef, rich soured cream and mushrooms worked into an expensive and satisfying mixture. You would, of course, be quite wrong. The Sproganoff of the 1980s will contain many remarkable mgredients, but it will not coetain beet, or indeed any mean

For that reason it will be called simply "Stroganoff", and it will cost less than 55p when it appears in shops in much of England this month. If anyone clings to the out-dated delusion that Stroganoff has more in common with back than with noodles, celery, soy sauge and fruit acid, a large advertising budger is warting for a chance to present a more modern and less eccentric point of view.

be spent this year on advertis-

Dehydrated noodle snacks in plastic pots enhanced by loose labelling

ing the new species of grocery of which "Stroganoff" is one of the latest and most bizarre examples. They are described collectively as "dehydrated noodle snacks", and demand for them is rising so fast that some of the largest food companies in Britain are rushing the packet soup people who over the world who answer panies in Britain are rushing the packet soup people who over the world who answer panies in Britain are rushing to the enormous transfer to the sound to the packet soup people who over the world who answer panies in Britain are rushing to the company which is part of the company, which is part of the gigantic Imperial Group empire. The other, called empire. The other, called empire. panies in Britain are rushing to produce as many as pos-

They come in plastic containers, usually shaped like large yogurt pots. They consist of a mass of noodles with processed vegetables and appropriate flavourings, and in some cases a small plastic pouch of highly-flavoured sauce to be

They are prepared by adding boiling water, stirring, waiting for up to four minutes, and stirring again. They need careful and thorough stirring, or the flavouring powders will stick together at the bottom like varnish.

"Stroganoff" is one of the four flavours being sold under the name of "Quick Lunch" gooey and has a sharp taste
by KP Foods, a subsidiary of
United Biscuits. Another,
called "Pot Noodle", is made

ultimately to the enormous Corn Products Company of the United States. There is a fourth species of

such food, called Snackpot, and made from rice and chopped and shaped meat. It is made by Batchelors, the tinned pea group which is part of Unilever, which is in turn one of the largest food companies in Europe. Such large combines are wary of investing in anything that does not look like a winner.

A sampling of several varieties of "dehydrated noodle snack" shows how the looseness of food labelling law allows the names of dishes to be used to cover a multitude of sins. Anything which is brown. gooey and has a sharp taste can be called curry. One type

dies, processed soya pieces with dried vegetables in a chicken flavour and mushroom

ginitive presentation and the least weird flavours. They are packed in pots shaped like oriental rice bowls with a willow pattern design. As with the others, all that is needed for their preparation is a kettle and a spoon.
All manufacturers confidently expect the sales of deliydrated snacks to increase

Hugh Clayton

curry, and each is brown. gooey and has a sharp taste. That is the best that can be The precise description car-ried by the Pot Noodle on its label is "noodles processed soya pieces with dried vegetables in a curry sauce".
Another is described as "non-

sauce and a sachet of soy Knoodles have the most ima-

in leaps and bounds from their present level of well over £20m a year. Where "Stroggnoff" leads can "Therwidor" and "Provençale" be far behind?

N Africa maintains uneasy status quo

January threw two such prob-lems into sharp relief. President Bourguiba is mow 75 years old and siling. The question of his succession is still open, and conditions inside Tunisia have worsened over the past year as the world recession has begun to bits.

conflict.
Ironically, on the night of the attack, Tunisian armed forces were watching the Libyan Army along the eastern border and Algerian armed forces were stationed on Algeria's western borders in order to observe the activities of the Moroccan Army, Neither Tunisia nor Algeria thought is necessary to watch their common frontier. As a result, the Libyan-trained group was able to cross into the Gafsa region from Algeria without being observed.

The group was made up of Tunisians who had been working idegally in Libya and many of them were actually natives.

of the Gafsa region. It was clear that they hoped to find a sympathetic response from the local population, partly because

whole affair is unclear. However, Algeria has been notably lukewarm in supporting Colonel Gaddafi's more exuberant forays into foreign affairs. It was clear
that Algeria was not prepared
to become militarily involved in
Libya's dispute with Egypt in
1978, ner did it support Libyan
aid to Idi Amin's regime in
Uganda or Bokassa's self-styled
Central African Empire.

Algerian interests from industrial and agricultural Algerian interests from industrial and agricultural growth.
And Libya's involvement in the Sahel states, such as Chad, Mali and Niger can only worsen the instability of the whole Sahara region.
The reluctance felt by Algerian leaders towards foreign adventures is also a consequence of the Algerian

consequence of the Algerian domestic scene. Recently, pressing social problems have forced the Algerian Government to cut back on its industrialization plans, so as to divert more attention to the stagnant and heavily collectivized agricul-ture domain and to encourage a mixed economic sector along-side the dominant state sector. quo seems to characterize the 1980. For example, the recent Arab

> Muhammad Madami Editor, Maghreb Review

King Hassan's recent visit to King Hassan's recent visit to his troubled provinces in the Western Sahera has highlighted some of the problems that have plagued North Africa for the past five years. The visit was promised five years ago in a speech king Hassan made during the Green March when 360,000 Moroccans invaded the Sahara to bring the 70-year Spanish rule to an end.

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the area was not unopposed, however, and the guerrilla war begun then by the Polisario Front has now degenerated into a stalemate. In spite of recent deliveries of weapons and air-craft by the United States, and the promise of further supplies in the near future, the 4,000-strong Moroccan army there cannot control the whole area. At the same time, the Polisario Front, now heavily backed by Algeria and Libya has not been able to conquer the towns or the phosphate works at Boukra.

Even allowing for the effect on Moroccan firepower of recent arms deliveries—12 helicopter gunships, 20 F5 fet fighters—it is clear that Algeria's Soviet-equipped forces are far superior. Yet neither side is interested in a full-scale contest for supremary in North concest for supremacy in North Africa Each knows that such a conflict would be a political and economic diseaster.

In any case, recent events in Tunisia have made both countries uneasily aware of the other important problems which threaten North African stability. The attack on the south Tunisian town of Gafra last

In addition, the long-standing friction between Tunisia and her eastern neighbour Libys, which stems from the abortive Act of Union of January, 1974, has frequently boiled up into open confrontation. The Gafsa incident was she latest and most serious manifestation of this conflict.

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The role of Algeria in the into foreign affairs. It was clear

Central African Empire.

In any case Algeria has recently mended her fences with France and the EEC, while Libya has been increasingly shrill in her attack on French policy in Africa.

Although Algeria and Libya apparently share common attitudes over the Third World's relations with the West and the Soviet bloc-mon-alignment, sup-Soviet bloc-non-alignment, supand reform of the world econ-omy to aid development—Col-onel Gaddafi's irresponsibility and meddling in the affairs of

and medding in the arians of neighbouring states has alarmed Algeria's teaders.

Similarly the Western Sahara dispute, even though Algeria may feel a moral duty to support the Polisario Front, cannot be allowed to deflect

In short, an uneasy scatus North African scene in early

League meeting in Tunis, called at Tunisian request to discuss the Gaisa incident, 'avoided condemning Libya outright, although its involvement was not really in doubt. Perhans this reticent response is the result of a fear, voiced by Tunis ian leaders, that as Colonel Gaddafi finds himself increas-ingly isolated on the international scene, so he will feel less and less restraint over his foreign policy adventures in the

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in Norman Jewison's . . . And Justice for All. We know from Dickens that the law is an ass;

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a. Al Pacino. Of the two judges before whom he pleads,

one is a suicidal maniac, the other a latter-day Judge Jeffries, who is also a rapist on the side and ill-advisedly chooses Parincia law partners.

is a nasty incompetent, while the other ruos berserk and hurls plates around the court-house. Small wonder that one client commits suicide and

another is gunned down after

a one-man prison revolt against an unjust sentence. It seems a mere incidental that the girl he is sleeping with is investi-gating him for the legal ethics

The script is really a series

of over-coloured incidents and characters which might pass in

the weekly episodes of a soup

opera but are fairly unbelievable in a full-dress feature. Al

Pucino gets by with a mixture of humour, eccentric charm and spiritual anguish, and wins the day with the final, fool-proof courtroom confrontation.

Stanley Kramer likes Problem Pictures. The theme of

The Runner Stumbles is the agony of a Cartolic priest and a nun who full in love and the

tragic outcome of their doomed affair. It is adapted

from a stage play by Milan Stitt, in turn based on an

actual murder that took place

in 1927. The publicity speaks of 17 rewrites; but they were

not enough to extricate the

screenplay from the wordy,

contrived and schematic nature of the stage original. The cou-ing is novel, with the come-cians Dick van Dyke and Ray

Bolger in dramatic roles, but

neither they nor Maureon Stapleton and Beau Bridge.

can do very much with the

committee.

One of Pacino's law partners

THE ARTS

BCSO/ **Lozhdestvensky** estival Hall/Radio 3

loël Goodwin

he excursion into British usic by Genmadi Rozhdestensky on Wednesday broughtme intriguing viewpoints into 's concert with the BBC Symrony Orchestra, which was so broadcast from the Royal estival Hall. In juxtaposing ippen and Holst in his prosmme, the Soviet conductor owed his evident personal easure in music of romanic

Sir Michael Tippett's Second imphony of 1958, is both reeful and beguiling in these radities. After The Midsumber arriage of a few years earlier, e symphony is a consumation devoutly to be wel-med, of the composer's elodic purpose and luxuriant emonic imagination. In this rformance, a clear distinction drawn between the outer id inner movements. The rmer had the forthright im-tus of the splendid music ppett knew there was still to written in C major, but the ow movement and scherzo ok wing in the more wayward camingages of the surgest of th eam-images of the composer's ncy. The slow movement in sticular benefited from the inductors sense of phrasing, id from individual wind

Nature'

Jupiter's jollity was given a ceremonious, not to say pom-pous quality, and became virtually a prelude to Saturn's old age, expressed as a certain de-sirable tranquility. The magic of Uranus was in the dizzy, light headed brilliance of the orchestral virtuosity, and at the end of Neptune, the mystic off-stage voices, supplied by the BBC Singers, having been added to the texture as surreptitiously as they should, receded into the remote distance with that particular effect of seeming to continue in our hearing long after they had ceased to

Irlando Quartet urcell Room

aul Griffiths

ne seldom hears loud cheer g at a string quartet recital, it then one seldom hears a ring quartet recital so consteptly illuminating and in-sed exciting as that given on ednesday by the Orlando partet from Holland. There as nothing exceptional in their

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instrument playing of attractive beauty of tone and line. Ideas multiply in this work to such an extent that detail becomes enticing for its own sake, and the performance ensured that could be enjoyed to the

if Mr Rozhdestvensky was concerned here to illuminate in the mysteries inherent in ", as a commentary on Tippett's symphony once put it, his fourney through the fami-liar orbit of Holst's The Planets was a romantic stargazer's goide to the galaxy. There was no escaping the ominous threat of Mars as the bringer of war, and the annihilating conse-quences implicit in the music. Venus, as the bringer of peace, ucy, which also has dramatic enclosed a soft, flexible, almost sentimental centre, within a certain metrical formality, but Mercury's winged flight was in danger of finding the galaxy congested by the notes to be negotiated.

programme of Haydn, Beethoven and Ravel, yet their play-ing was so fresh and vital that each work seemed like a journey into undiscovered country, a journey led, however, by guides who had thoroughly prepared

It is no complaint to say that I have rarely heard quartet playing made to sound so easy, with hardly a moment of ill-considered balance, or a smudge where all should have been to-gether, or any room for thought that string instruments do not always produce effortlessly pure musical tone.

Again, there can be few quartets as self-effacing as the

Orlando, who felt no need to express their individual persona-lines by any forced characteriza-tion of line. This was not, therefore, chamber music that looked to conversation as its model, and the emphasis tended to be less on thematic byplay than on the movement of harmony, texture and time. harmony, texture and time. And lest that sounds excessively abstract, I must under-line the Orlando's powers as a united foursome to find subtleties of expression through

the application of intellect.

For instance, in the minuel of their Haydn quartet, Op 54 No 2, the recurring main material was never accented in quite the same way twice; the first beats were sometimes lightly brushed, sometimes more firmly placed, but never dragged rudely to earth, and the effect was constantly surprising yet always thoroughly dance-like.

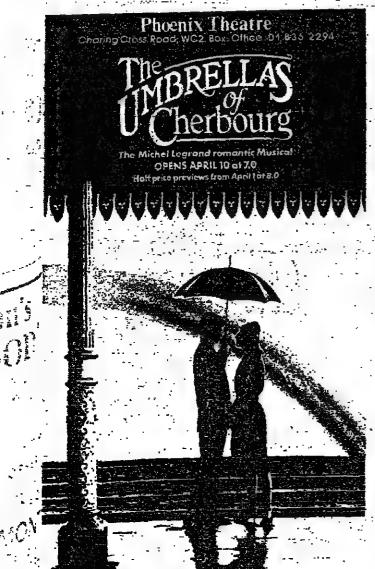
The same movement showed this quarter's miraculous control of colour, when the three upper strings shivered in maidenly distress at the coarser interjec-tions of the full quartet, though of course it was the Ravel that benefited most from the Orlando's exquisite feeling for umbre.

None the less they were most remarkable in Beethoven's Op 95, a work whose curious form they caused to seem exactly right, raising eccentricity right-fully to sublime mystery. Even the final burst of throwsway joy was justified, and not only as a prize the players felt they could award themselves after so much revelation.

Teresa Kubiak withdraws

from Lohengrin

Teresa Kubiak will not, because of illness, appear in any of the remaining performances of the Royal Opera's revival of Lohengrin. Teresa Zylis-Gara, who sang in Tuesday's performance, will-appear tonight and on Mondey; Uta Maria Plake, who made her British debut in the opera last Saturday, will also sing next Thursday. also sing next Thursday.



Devastating and disarming rebels against society

Rude Boy (x)

Prince Charles

The Electric Horseman (A)

Empire, Leicester Sq.

. And Justice for All (AA)

Leicester Square Theatre

The Runner Stumbles

Odeon, Haymarket

The most significant single fact revealed by Rude Boy is that here and now, in the same Britain and the same moment. people speak quite different languages. There is the English of Margaret Thatcher, who is seen and heard in the film, describing the horror of urban streets where it is not safe to walk for fear of insult or robbery. Then there are the punk rock songs of The Clash, in which not one word in 20 is distinguishable for an unini-tiated, grown-up, middle-class spectator.

spectator.

Yet the words are perfectly comprehensible to the followers of The Clash, predominantly working-class teenagers, who know the songs by heart: "Lordon's burning with boredom now . . "; "I don't wanna go to where the rich are going./I don't wanna know about what the rich are doing./They think they're so clever, they think they're so right,/But the truth is only right,/But the truth is only known by guttersuipes."

thown by guttersuipes."

The deily speech of The Clash and their contemporaries is marginally more comprehensible; but its vocabulary is small, and the most frequent words are such as will never occur in the Prime Minister's public unterprises at least. public unterances at least. There, is a vicious exchange of dialogue between a policeman and a boy be stops in the night streets, in which every brief, backed obscenity is used so ritualistically that it loses either meaning or power.

Rude Boy is all about this other world of a fierce, disgruntled, directionless working-class youth, lacking a spon-taneous means of expression, but finding an outlet and sup-port for its frustrations in punk music which, write the makers in a wise and feeling introduction to the film, brought confidence and confusion to the working class



The film has been made, in The film has been made, in complete independence, by Jack Hazan and David Mangay, whose earlier work together, A Bigger Splash, dealt with the very different world of David Hockney and his circle, but described it through a similar method of impressionist collage. The film centres on The Clash, their cours and sheir concerts. The presitonist howconcerts. The progressionst however is a twenty-year-old Lon-don boy called Ray Gange, amiably intentioned, whose words and notions are blurted out like epileptic spasms, with a drinking beer belly. His idea of self-bettern is to be a "roadie" with The Clash. When he achieves this, he is too dis-organized to be very good at it; and is last seen on the

The picture that emerges is rough, bawdy, often tumy, finally devastating. The spiritual deprivation of this world—social security. the National Health and tower blocks c nnot fulfil every human need-seem insoluble and the intelconfusion perilous. Hazan and Mingay quote Orwell's oddly pertinent description of "the proles" of

thown, a beer-con in his hand, drunk and feeling old and

1984: "And even when they became discontented, as they sometimes did, their discontent led nowhere, withour general ideas the" could only focus it on petty specific grievances".

Ray and his friends know that politics is "about life", but their political impressions are hopelessly muddled. They hate communists; they hate the establishment; and they appear at anti-National Front concerts. A Red Brigades Tshirt keeps turning up like a talisman throughout the film, from time to time provoking vague speculations about its significance. They tend to Orwell's "primitive patriot-Orwell's "primitive patriot-ism", so that it is one of the film's rare distortions when it cuts from a shot of Ray spit-ting absently out of a wandow to a scene of the Queen's Jubilee procession.

An underlying theme of the film is that as the division between the two nations-middle-class establishment and working class young; haves and have-nots; respectability and punk-widens, the police are forced into a new and false role as a barricade between combarants. In the course of 1978 Hazan and Mingay filmed extraordinary material at

the police are massed until they take on the character of an army. Reconstructing aspects of the affair of the Twenty-Four-the mass arrests among the black population of South London at the time of take Jubilee—the film shows police operations taking on the character of espionage and military exercise in the London streets.

Rude Boy is the first film to attempt to reveal such contemporary aspects of our society, and the way that today's populer music can both reflect and relieve a sense of deprivation. The film makers show; they do not pretend to explain, to analyse or to judge. The picture is dispiriting, even alarming. Ray and his like are far from ideals of good citizens. We cannot look at them with comfort or complacency. But comfort or complacency. But they exist in their millions, and it would be folly to pretend they do not, as it would be colpable not to try at least to understand their predicament.

The content of the film and its value as social document so vital in themselves that it is easy to overlook the technical achievement of Rude Bog, a British film made at a

street demonstrations, in which fraction of the cost of commer-the police are massed until cial pictures it outclasses in style as well as seriousness. The film-makers followed their subjects- who were not always, it seems, entirely collabora-tive—for many months, in order to capture those moments and gestures whichh-

would be most revealing, the photography is by Jack Hazan himself, and the images have an expressive elegance that altogether belies the problems of shooting in the difficult condi-tions of discos, hotel rooms and busy streets.

Compared with the gritty, ferocious realism of the British film, a pleasant moral fable like The Electric Horsenan. directed by Sydney Pollack from a screenplay by Robert Garland, seems distinctly effete. Its notion is sympathetic but crude. A rodeo rider (Robert Redford) is corralled into advertizing breakfast foods.
His "ole pard" charm and
whimsy couceal a sort of intelligence and idealism which
inevitably revolt. He discovers
that his horse is being injected with steroids, and sees the in-escapable parallels with what society is doing to him and to the cereal-consuming public. So he rides out of the Las Vegas pitery where be is doing

David Robinson

stilted dialogue.

Reich enchants New York youth

York have recently been blos-soming with advertisements not of a new production at the Met but of a concert of music by the 39-year-old American vestern influences and, in its insistence upon electronic reinforcement of all instruments, of certain aspects of the popular rock scene. His concert at Carnegie Hall was sold out. and the enthusiastic crowd (30 per cent of whom were younger than the composer)

heard three recent works of Reich; one a world premiere, performed with exceptional polish by a band of first-rate young musicians. Reich's music is strongly defined and immediately com-prehensible. It consists of a sort of drone bass, over which are faid first one, then arother, contrasting, Thythmic pattern; these patterns continue and mutate, with colouristic additions from individual instruments. The constants are a general inflexibility of pulse

and a merzo-force dynamic level, which is subject to swellings and recedings but which remains as insistent as the pulse. The harmonic range the pulse. The harmonic range is as narrow as the dynamic: in the last piece, Variations, it goes from C minor. The music has been dubbed "trance music" because of these factors, and to its detractors is monoronously boring—comparisons are always made with the "wallpaper music" of the barooue.

these shifting patterns sen-suously appealing and immensely satisfying in a way that baroque "wallpaper music" is by the 39-year-old American composer Steve Reich, who has become one of the leading exemplars of a type of music which, while completely wedded to classical archetypts, partakes of a multitude of non-Western influences and, in its insistence upon electronic reinfacet that sets Reich apart from others in this field, notably his colleague Philip Glass, is that Reich has a supreme sense of structure and pace: his music is pure music-making for its own sake as well as enormously evocative pic-torially, and he knows just how long to hold a pattern so that it achieves maximum effect without extending it to boredom. Two of the pieces

American premières. The first Music for a Large Ensemble (1978), is full of magical touches (the addition of a flute counter-melody; the glit-tering waterfalls of the vibra-phone), so that the whole un-folds serenely and inevitably as a series of endless preparations for an unknown cadence. The second, Octet (1979), for The second, Octet (1979), for string quartet, two pinnos and a variety of woodwind, uses the violins to provide the drone and, basically, the pianos to provide the rhythms, with the woodwind interjecting counterrhythms. Here the focus is on the music itself rather than the colour; in this sense the piece is closer to chamber music than to orchestral.

The world oremiere was the

The world premiere was the Variations for Winds, Strings, and Keyboards in the chamber version (the orchestral version

Christopher Neame as Evans.

is Dion Boucicault's Old

Parfin and Frank Wind

Peter Dews directs.

Francisco Symphony Orchestra in May). This is an extremely homogeneous, unified work—the band sounds like au immense organ—in which the basic rhythm is carried by high flues. This joyous, fast-paced sound establishes a pic-torial image of great power— me, like the ringing of innu-merable churchbells on a broad, sunlit upland in spring, and the liturgical feeling is reinforced through the entrance, in the latter stages of the piece, of Brucknerian brass pedals. The variations meld imperceptibly into one another, yet carry the work ity unusual for Reich. What is controlling, however, is not the analytic contrapuntal procedure, detailed in Reich's admirable programme notes, but the efforescence of the sounds and their immediate

Reich's music is easy to dis miss, either because of an ina-bility to be captivated by the surfaces, or a feeling that he has sacrificed too much, in terms of the variety available in Western music, to achieve a rather simplistic surface of pat-terns with an unassimilated addition of gamelan and other Far Eastern musics. It certainly stands apart from the procedures of a composer like Elliott Carter. Yet there is no question that there is more to Reich than immediately meets the ear, and that his music-making, so magnificently per-formed in this concert, appeals strongly to a large section of today's young audiences.

Patrick J. Smith

Chichester Festival revives play by Lonsdale

The Chichester Festival Theatre cast includes Hywel Bennett as season opens on May 6 with a revival of Frederick Lonsdale's play The Last of Mrs Chepnen, directed by Patrick Lau and with a cast including Joan Collins, Simon Williams, Christo-pher Gable, Benjamin Whitrow, Moyra Fraser and Elspeth

It is followed on May 20 by a new play, Terra Nova by Ted Tally, based on the Scott expe-dition to the Antarctic. The

Much Ado about Nothing opens on July 8, with Gemma Jones, Gerald Harper and Peter Sallis. Peter Dews directs. The last production, opening on July Reads and Young Hearts, directed by Michael Simpson. The cast includes Lewis Flander,

Before the Party

Ned Chaillet

Queen's

Before the Party is the oncedaring play by Rodney Ackland with which Tom Couti chose to make his British debut as a director. Based on a story by Somerset Maugham, it plays on

the postwar shifts in class and morality, and conspiratorially tells the story of a murderer in a bourgeois family. The play was dated when I reviewed it from Oxford. The acting, however, is of a high order, from Michael Gough and Jane Asher down to the schoolgul younger sister. The orchestration of performances bodes well for Mr Contr's future as a director though the play remains a trifling curiosity.

Italian Straw Hat as opera

This year's Camden Festival, from Sunday until March 30, includes the British premiere of Nino Rota's opera The Italian Straw Hat, produced by Anthony Besch and conducted by James Judd, with a cast including Stuart Kale, Edward Byles, Anne Collins and Sandra

Greny's opera Zemire Azor will also be produced by Besch, and conducted by Roderick Brydon. The singers include Kate Flowers, lan Caley and Bernard Dickerson, A concert performance of Tchaikovsky's Mazeppa will be conducted by Mark Elder, with Michael Lewis, Eileen Hannan and Graham Clark in the cast. Other events will include con-

temporary dance, recitals, Jazz, music hall, and an international music and dance week with Spanish, Indian, Cypriot, Irish, Latin American and Afro-Caribbean evenings.

present show how little be has



Strict Delight Swiss Tapestries: Artists of Today Whitworth Art Gallery. Manchester

John Russell Taylor

It is some time since there has been a comprehensive showing of the work of Eric Gill, so those at Kettle's Yard, Cambridge, last November, and the present, larger selection at the Whitworth Gallery in the University of Manchester have been particularly welcome. For Gil, never having been really in fashion, has never been disastrously out of fashion, and either way has tended to hover in that strange purgatory reserved for those whom, since we find them impossible to classify, we prefer not to think of no closely at all.

It is very noticeable in the

You have to take Gill on his own terms or not at all. Clearly

to have been a stimulation and

a challenge-and all standing

equally apart from the main

currents of twentieth-century

art, or even the little local

eddies of the English School

between the wars.

to do with the taste in his time, this was his own choiceto do with the taste in his time, or even with recognizably contemporary subject-matter. Well, we can say, of course he was primarily a religious artist, as though this automatically absolves one from recognition of the modern world. But the product Westward Rai of a called upon to be of the pre-sent, as in the designing of Gik Saus-Serif type or the logos for W. H. Smith, he could function as efficiently as any. But usually he did not choose to. And though the watered-down versions of Gill's style which woodcut Westward Hol of a tired soldier with a weapon (or is it a spade?) over his shoulder became the norm of religious art during the 1930s have dated is so exceptional in its contact terribly, in some curious way with modern art of its time Gill himself seems to keep his that it quite takes one aback, strength and integrity intact. and it is not somehow surpris-ing to learn that it is after a Whether or not his sculpture and book decorations should drawing by David Jones. Otherwise, all Gill's fine art inhabits survive today, they certainly do. In the same gallery is a toura world apart, one of ascenic saints and voluptuous nudes, all limned with the same sure hand—especially in wood-en-graving, where the natural resistance of the material seems

ing show of modern Swiss fibre art, some of which might be called tapestry and a lot not. The most sculptural pieces, in which ruched and layered and overlaid fabrics play a large pert, are perhaps the most effective (Espace pour les vagues by Cyril Bourquin-Wa)ford is a good example), and I also liked an untitled piece by Anne-Marie Matter suggesting a silvery waterfall running

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions

Ice skating

Wobble loses British pair their edge in medal battle

From John Hennessy. Dormund, March 13

Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean, the British ice dance champions, had surrendered third place at the end of the world championship' compulsories here today. They have been overtaken by Irina Mojseyeva and Andrei Minenkov (Soviet Union), Olympic brouze medal winners at Lake Placid and former world champions. The top two places so far faithfully follow Lake Placid, with Natalia Linichuk and Gennadi Karponosov (Soviet Union) first (in spite of a misadventure) and Krisztina Regoeczy and Andras Sallay (Hungary)

The main setback for Britain caine in the original set pattern dance. The second Russian couple had-squeezed ahead already on the kilian, a dance set to march tempo, but only on a technicality. Two errors in the fourth dance, however, left the British couple with only two judges in their favour and a third marking them equal with Miss Moiseyeva and her

Miss Torvill and her parmer Miss Torvill's free leg wrapped round her parmer. This throws her on to a perilously deep putside edge of the right foot. On the first dircuit she skidded uneasily : on the second only the strong arm of the law (Dean is a policeman) prevented her from worbble. There was a sympathetic round of applause. when the move was successfully accomplished (no chickening out here) on the third circuit. The British couple were less heavily penalized than I feared but, of course, the prospect of a bronze

Still more surprisingly, Karponosov fell comprehensively during an innocent passage of his first circuit. His reputation for reliability is such that for this to happen recalls the days of long ago when the chance of getting through to the stumps of Woodfull, the Australian batsman, was so renote that he was known as "Woodfull unbowiable". Well, Karponosov bowled himself over today and he and Miss Linichus now have little to spare at the head of affairs. A repetition of the Lake Placid free dances will certainly give the gold medal to Hunnary.

Anett Poetzsch, the Olympic champion has taken her expected champion, has taken her expected lead in the women's compulsory figures. She has a convincing margin according to eight of the nine judges and if the West German prefers her compatriot. Dagmar Lurz, that is the sort of thing one comes to expect in figure skating. It is in any case a temporary state of affairs because Miss Lurz is unlikely to be able to live with her cousin over the wall through the short programme tomorrow and Saturday's night's free.

gramme fomoriow and Saunday's might's free. "
Miss Poetzsch's principal challenger, as erer, is Linda Fratianne, the American champion, who is however out of sorts here and may soon be out of the competition. Troubled by an ankle injury, the may not be able to stay the course. Miss Fratianne was fifth after the first figure, third after the second and fourth after the third, belind Claudia Kristofics-Binder, ah Austrian who has made significant strides under the turelage of Carlo and Christa Fass! at Denver, Id the corresponding stage of the European champions at Göteborg in January she lay sixth, hore she la third in a stable content of the corresponding state of the European champions at Göteborg in January she lay sixth, hore she la third in a stable content of the corresponding states. she lay sixth, hore she is third in a field drawn from the whole world, Deborah Cottrill, replacing the British champion, Karena Richard-son, on, the strength of her son, on the strength of her stronger performance at Goteborg, has found the judges here more difficult to satisfy. She has moved up from eleventh after the first two figures to night after the third, a successful loop, but an array of gifted free skaters he in wait just behind her and we must



Reaching for glory: Marina Cherkabova Shakhrai winning the pairstute.

be prepared for a more modest; final place. But she is still only 17 and learning a trade, with little experience of international competition at this level.

The main threat, not only to Miss Cottrill but to the leaders, is Denise Biclimann, the best through? The states for the world.

is Demise Bleilmann, the pest women's free skater in the world, who now stands in tenth position. This means that yet again she will be denied a place in the last group in the short programme, with all

In a perfect judging world it would not matter, because she would be marked on her merits, but even judges, in confidence, will confess that all is not well in their world. Miss Biellmann's coach; Otto Huegm, believes his is undermarked by at least skater 0.2 in the short program

It is all too common for trainers to seize upon every last little excuse for lodging a complaint, but there seems some merit in his suggestion that the draw for the short programme and free skating should be based on the previous year's results, rather than a particular talent for the mechanical tracing of compulsory figures.

Football

Lloyd must lose his place at Wembley

He asked for leniency but received a one manth suspension Afterwards Lloyd commented: asked for leniency in view of the way I have tried to improve m distribinary record this season.

"I have played 52 games this season and wayked hard at improving my distribinary record. I was hoping that I would receive only a warning as to any future conduct which would have allowed me to play in my third successive League Cup final. But I shall be there on the bench cheering for the rest of the lads." Dave Needham, the former Queen's Park Raners' defender, will now come into the Forest defence.

Kenny Hibbitt has 24 hours to

Mr Baruwell named him is a party of 16 which includes John McAlle, the victim of a broken leg. Mr Barnwell said: "John deserves the trip because he did more than anyone to ger us to Wembley." The party also includes Republic of Ireland international Mike Kearus, strikers Wayne Clarke, and Norman Bell. Bremmer may play: Billy Bremmer could be back in League football tomorrow. The 37-vear-old former Scotland and Leeds midfielder is now manager of Doncaster in Division 4 but yesterday registered himself as a player becaster in Division 4 but yesterday registered himself as a player because of an injury trisis.

"We are really struggling to raise a team. I have asked the league if we can have our match with Crewe put off, but if not I will probably have to play", said Bremmer, "I have not played for about two years and to be honest I don't feel all that fit. I even pulled a hamstring when I trained this week, but we have mue players injured, one suspended and three down with "fit."

Norwich-born Woods is Bond's new face

John Bond, the Norwich City-manager, ended a seven-month pursuit of Clive Woods yesterday when he signed the Ipswich Town winger for £120,000 shortly before the transfer deadline. Woods, who was on the verge of an England cap a year ago but has been troubled by injury this season, will go straight into the mean for monotrow's game at Stoke.

"With-Reeves rooms there was "With Reeves going there was an air of despondency in the city an air or despondency in the city and it was important we have a new face to lift people in the club and entsid. it " Mr Bond, and. " I have made no secret of my liking for Wood's ability and have been interested in getting him here since the start of the season."

Normich born Woods played over 250 games for Ipswich but during his absence Bobby Robson, the manager, changed to a system which did not require an orthodox

winger.
The Woods deal pushed the season's total transfer figure mark. The majority of the transfer yesterday involved small fees or loans. chesterfield showed their deter-mination to reach the second divi-sion by paying a record £150,000 for Phil Bonseyman, a Carlisle midfield player, and Millwall attempted to keep in the promo-tion chase with the £100,000 sign-ning of Chris Guthrie, a Fulham striker. Chelsea paid £60,000 for Manchester City's former England midfield man. Colin Vilioen, and midfield man. Colin Viljoen, and

Tony Kellow returned to Exeter City for £70,000.

Viljoen cost City £100,000 in August, 1978, and has been unable to win a regular place under Malcolm Allison. Kellow becomes a double record holder for Exergine £110,000 they received for him 1 months ago was a selling record, his return a buying record. Another player moving after a brief stay was a Hull forward, Trevor Phillips. Just nine months after arriving from Rotherham United for £75,000 he moved on to Chester for £50,000.

Another fast mover is Roberto Oliveira, the former Brazilian striker. He has left Barcelona for Flamingo of Brazil, only 10 weeks after he joined the Spanish Club. Roberto, 25, was sold for about £340,000—£40,000 less than his transfer fee from another Brazilian club, Vasco da Gama, last Jamuary. Roberto scared only three goals for struggling Barcelona who last week persuaded Helemo Hertera, the former Internationale manager, to take over as coach.

The transfer means that the rich Catalan side can now buy another foreign player to perform alongside their costly Danish inport, Allan Simonsen.

Cherry ripe: Leeds United will

Boxing

Watt ready

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Boxing Correspondent
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"This is one I have to go of my system," the fair! Watt said. "Normally any k victory will do, but this t want to prove myself smerevery department. I don't n believe in grudges. This it can feel a definite edge. Nathern enjoying himself a expense for two years, cit that I have been dodging him he has definitely gone over top."

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By Srikumar Sen Boxing Correspondent

Allan Simonsen.

Cherry ripe: Leeds United will have Trevor Cherry back for tonight's game at lpswich. The England defender missed the will against Southampton last Saturday because of an ankle injury. Steven-son and Harris, who have both been out of action because of injury play in the reserves.

Today's football

First Bevision: Inswich Town visions thrend (7.30); West Bromwich album v Middlesbrough (7.30). ADDER V Middishrough (7.30).
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Rugby Union

England set off for assault | Price passes on grand slam summit

By Peter West Regby Correspondent

För the England team, who trained in glorious Border country at Peebles yesterday on a sunny spring-like afternoon, the final preparations are being made hefore they set off from their last base camp for a final assault on the summit: the grand siam and all that goes with it, provided they can beat Scotland at Murray-

Success would taste especially sweet for the most seasoned members of the side such as Fran Corrot, who won his first cap. shortly after Tony Neary had done so, in 1971. "I regard it," Cotton said, "as probably the most important same I've ever even more important than wiening the Lions Test series to South Africa in '74."

observe." The coath, Mike Davis, we ever takes much satisfaction from what than he terms the thorough and dedicated sporoach of the side. "The attitude has been right all wholly season", he said. "Everyone is the coath of the ground."

Lengland have been obliged to the side." South Africa in '74."

(These thoughts were wholly endorsed by Rogar Urdey, who first played for his country in 1982. "The lows for England have obscumbered the highs. We now have a tremendous opportunity, and it would be even nicer to do

It in style."

The captain, Bill Beaumont, has been around for some lean years too. "We want to be remembered" he declared, "as a side that won everything, not just three matches, and we want to be ablest to look back on it all in the years shead and say "we were there". Victory would be a terrific poost for English rugby and its supporters, and we're not minded to let a great chance slip away now. I don't in the least away now. I don't in the least mind winning all four marches what some people call a poor

Going on to observe that have some light training this English success had been built on morning, and then move on to playing controlled rugby (but con-Edinburgh in the afternoon.

Africa.

Injury has kept the 24-year-old Bristol teacher our of the lime-light this season, restricting him to fewer than 20 games. Gloucestershire have said they will release him from his cricketing duties as they did for England's Far East tour last year. But Bignell says to live had no him at all whether I'm being considered.

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I know a Lions selector watched me in our disappointing.

test and plays for Wales ceding that a couple of errors had led to the two Welsh tries at Twickenham). Beaumont added that overall they had given little The right head prop, Graham Price, is fit to win his 28th con-secutive can for Wales against Ireland in Dubin tomorrow. At

that overall they had given little away and that in his view the England backs, notably the two wings, were as fast as those of any other home country.

"But we're under no illusions", he said. "Scotland have a Tierce pride, they see ft. as a great chance to knock us over and we know how dongerous they can be in broken play." Budge "Rogers, chairman of the England selectors, is quierly a training session at the National Stadium, Cardiff, yesterday Price, who injured a shoulder in training last Sunday, came through a stiff Cimess test. The Welsh coach, John Lloyd, said: "Price had 20 minutes' scrummaging and is OK," Of tomogrow's match, Lloyd said:

tomorrow's match. Lloyd said:
"You approach every game differently. One looks at the weaknesses and strengths of the opposition and then plans accordingly
and we have done just that."
Wales had to be careful about
giving sway penalties and he had
told the players not to stop thinking about this aspect of their
assee. the England selectors is quietly confident. "If the team play the rugby of which they are capable.—es, for instance, against France—they'll get the result they deserve." The coath, Mike Davis, they much shifted of form with parts.

game.

Price's Pontipool club colleague,
Bobby Windsor, the former Wales have an operation shortly on the back injury which has kept him out of rugby for four morths. Windsor, aged 32, has won 28 Welsh caps. If the operation is successful he plans to make a comeback for the Welsh centenary season, otherwise bis first class career many be over.

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Pontypool, who play Penarth tonight are without their captain, Squire, and his international colleggies, Price and Builet. Newport, who estartain Abertwon on Tuesday evening, have lost a lock forward, Mogridge, wint is leaving Rodney Parade after seven years to respin tiss village club; Machen. Newbridge lawe a reservanged fixture, at Pomypridd on Sunday. The winger, Browning, comes back for his first match: since September and Owen, will play at standoff half after several markings on the wing. Newbridge emercials Tredegar on Tuesday.

Swansea, the only West Wales Wales Senior club in action this weekend, play South Wales Police today at St. Helen's. Their ground record should not be in any danger from a team which, on Wednesday, conceded 19 tries and 106 points at Lisnelli.

As Richards is in Ireland and Dacey marvallable, the stand-off will be Donovan. He has made a remarkable comeback after an absence of 18 months, following a leg injury when playing full back for Wales in Anstralia. The full back, Blyth, and Richards are to withdraw from the Barbarians team to meet East Middands at Northaupton on March 25. On that date Swansea will hold a final team to meet cast whotatos at Northampton on March 26. On that date Swansea will hold a final training session before their Welsh Cup semi-final against Newport

Cricket

Lakhani knocks the heart out of the Australians

Multan March 13.—The Punjab rovince Governor's XI were 86 without loss in reply to Australia's first inmings total of 213 at the close of the first day of the threeday match here today. Having launched the Punjab innings after tea the openers, Shafiq Ahmed and Rizwanuz Zaman, reached 33 and

Rizmanuz Zaman, reached 33 and 27 respectively.
Dyas and Lakhani did most damage to the Australian innings, each raking four wickets, Lakhani's haul included the valuable wickets of David Hookes, caught by Sultan for two, and Kim Hughes, caught by Shafiq for 17. The pace bowler, Molduddin, made the early break-through in the the early break-through in the sixth over when he had Bruce Laird caught at square leg by Azhar for seven, with just 24 runs on the board.
Five overs later, with the score

wicket of the other opener, Julian Weiner, who had made 35. The left-arm spin bowler, Ray Bright, was the Australians' top scorer with 52 before he was caught and bowled by Hyas.



Latest European snow reports

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Good powder above 2,000m Good In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower stopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports were received from other sources:



Athletics

Coe keeps Olympic cards close to his chest

By David Hands Sebastian Coe, the British holder of world records at 800 metres, 1,500 metres and one mile, is alive, 1,500 merres and one mile, is alive, well and training in Spain for the Olympic Games in Moscow, the invitation to which the Stritish Olympic Committee have still to accept. Coe, aged 23, was in London yesterday as the guest of the Sports Writers' Association whose brethren, the International Sports Writers' Association, have also named Coe as their sportsman of the year, in preference to the likes named Coe as meir sportamen of the year, in preference to the likes of Borg and Keegan.

Amid all the controversy sur-rounding the Moscow Olympics, and British participation in them, Coe has kept the lowest of profiles.

This does not mean that be is unconcerned by the reports flooding out of the capitals of the world but he has not yet felt the need. paring for an extremely tough track season and that includes the Olympic Games, "he said." Until someone says to me otherwise, I'm going to the Games. If the British Olympic Committee accept the in-vitation, the next step is for the board to select a team and if there is no other 'aggro', I assume we are all going.

Moss returns at **Mallory Park**

Stirling Moss makes a return to professional motor racing in a saloon car event at Mallory Park, Leicestershire, on March 23, Moss, now 50, will drive a 125 mph works Audi 50 in the first round of the Tricentrol British saloon car championship. He races in America on the mericus morning

car championship. He races in America on the previous morning and will then fly home in Concorde in order to compets at Mallory Park.

Moss won 16 grand prix races before the serious accident while racing at Goodwood on Easter Monday, 1962, which forced his retirement. The world formula one championship always eluded him but he was rumer-up from 1955 to 1953 behind Juan Fangio and then Britain's Mike Hawthorn.

Irish walkover

Cos, whose preparation is for the 800 metres and 1,500 metres in Moscow, says that no one has made personal representations to him about involvement in the Garces and he does not feel the situation, as it is at present, demands a per-sonal statement by blan. His private feelings on the political web aut-rounding the Games are remaining precisely that—private.

Apart from the possibility of some 400 metre work the Lough-borough University graduate (he is now studying for his hdA), is likely to make his first outing in this country. likely to make his first outing in this country the 5,000 merces in the Yorksbire chempionships in May, though he has been pondering a five-mile cross-country race in Milke the weekend. He will be returning to his punning of April, where he will remain until the Olympics in Joly. "I am appropries and in heter condition move than I have ever been ", he says. " But if something imprened to prevent me from going, to the Games, well, there are other races this year and I hope I would gain my own satisfaction from them. There are more things to life than an Olympic gold medal".

Motor racing

Ireland's teams team have been given a walkover against Poland in a preliminary round of the Federation Cup. Ireland now travel to Bertin in May to play West Germany in the first round.

Bowls

Welsh victory aids England

Water scored a sensational victory, beating Scotland 110—105
in the British indoor bowls championships at Hartlepool yesterday.
Their success gives England a great
chance so break Scotland's nearmonopoly of the fillion Trophy,
which they have won in eight of
the last nice years.
Scotland dropped two players
from the rink stapped by Willie
Advain but, as on the previous
day, his rink lost heavily, this
time by 32—5 to the Weish four
skipped by Len Webley (Cardiff).
This result left the other five
Scotlish rinks too much to do.

Rovers rejected

A request by Festiverstone Rovers for a change of referee for their important second division match against Halifax on Sanday was refused by the Rugby League yesterday. Mick Naughton (Widnes) is the official appointed and Festiverstone asized for a change because they object to his performances in previous visits.

defend title against Mattic

middleweight bording che Vito Antuotermo, of Italy, Vito Annuciarmo, of Pasty, put his crown at stake againg reliow countryman Rocky Min Milan near June if he a fully defends against R Alsa Minner in Las Vega Sunday. Antuotermo's plan maker, Rodolfo Sebbetini, a interview to the Milan's daily Guzzette Dello Sport Sabbatini said the bout costaged in Milan's San Stadium, which can hold "Mattioli's chances for a fight will be blown up I by a victory of Minner, who defend the trits against of man Kevin Finnegan in Lou. Mr Sebbatini said.—AP.

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Aird's replacement

An American heavyweight, Grandham, winner of four five previous contests at Lin Stadium two years ago, steps a replacement for the injured Aird against Yorkshire's Nell pass on Liverpool's Marc Grand National week bill.

Rowing

Shrewsbury win Head of the River race

By Jim Railton

Shrewsbury School rule the Tideway for the first time, winding the 34th Head of the River Schools Race yesterday. It was a welcome return for chach Nick Bevans, an Oxford Blue and former pupil at Shrewsbury, who has been on sabhaical leave in Amatralia during the past year. Bevans, ip fact, coached yesterday's hosts for this event. Westminster School, when they won this title for the only time in 1974.

There was a record entry yesterday for the two-mile schools head on, the Tideway, which attracted a record entry of 214 crews, an increase in both the eights and fours divisions. This increasingly popular event attracted to less than 13 Eton eights—the biggest school club in the world—and embraced a comprehensive school from Selvey Park, Beckenham, who in Curlew RC colours toast no boat but a pitch meter and two stop watches. Eton, in the open eights events, made a good start but willed during the second two shirds of the course. Shrewsbury, starting in seventh position, rowed magnificently throughout to take the event. St Edward's School, Oxford, were the fastest overall team and nook two pennants.

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Squash rackets

Hignell waits for Lions call

England's forgotten full back Alastair Higneli has his fingers forth a few weeks ago but I can't crossed that the British Lious see anyone coming down for a selectors will name him on Monfinal check this weekend as we have in the side to tour South Africa.

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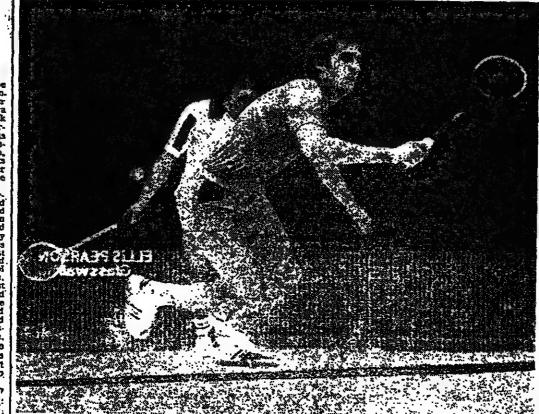
England have been obliged to make one change among their repiacements. Mike Rafter, who has been troubled by a hamstring, came through a filmess test on Tuesday, but failed to pass another yesterday. The selectors baye sent for the Swanses flanker, biark Keyworth, who faces a compitated journey from Aberystwyth. Tony Bond, the Lancashire centre, who was carried off with a broken leg during the match against Ireland, will be joining the English party in Edinburgh today. He is due to lose his plaster in about a formight:

According to the historians, the side representing Scotland tomorrow will be the first in 100

side representing Scotland tomorrow will be the first in 100 years that has not included an Anglo-Scot. England's party stayed last night in Peebles. They will have

Mike Fry, the Bristol captain, confirms that Hignell Is now back

continus that Hignell is now back to the form which won him his England cars and he showed he has shaken off a troublesome andle injury by scoring two tries to last weekend's easy win over Torquay. Hignell was offered a place on the Lions tour of New Zealand in 1977 but had to pass it up because of exams at Cambridge University.



Hunt keeps Zaman in the background as he sets about winning the Open . .

Hunt's strategy wears down everyone including Zaman

By Rex Bellamy Squash Rackes Correspondent By Rex Bellamy
Squash Rackes Correspondent
Geoffrey Hant, of Melbourne,
33 years and two days, won the
British and Open squash rackets
championship for the seventh
time by beating Qantar Zaman
(Peshawar) 9-3, 9-3, 1-9 9-1
at the Wembley Conference Centre
yesterday. Hashim Khan, also
from Peshawar, is the only other
player who has won the title
seven times. He was there to see
Hunt equal his record and sald
that in 20 years or so he would
be ready to play the Australian
in the over-55 event run in conjunction with the championship.
Hashim paid tribute to Hunt's
finness and that is something the
little Pathan knows about. His
game had much in common with
Hunt's in that it was based on
speed, power, and the capacity
to return almost anything—and
thus malmant maximum pressure
at midmum risk. Late in his
carcer Hashim acquired more
wituning shots and became less
dependent on his retrieving. We
have to rematither that by his own
admission he was 33 when he won
the championship for the first
time, in 1951. By Hashim's standards, Hunt's career has hardly
began. dards. Hunt's career has hardly

Hunt's seventh title does not mean that he is as good a player as tlashim was but nor does it mean that Hashim was as good as Hunt is. The obvious question can never be answered. In terms

of championships won, each nominated his generation to an extent no other player has quite been able to match, though Abdel Fattah Amr and Jonah Barrington came close.

Hunt, anyway, is not satisfied with sharing the record. He wants at least one more championship. With a wife and two children sharing his home he naturally wants to reduce his travelling. He said yesterday that he would continue to compete in the world and British championships as long as he felt that he could win them. "But I might not play as many tournaments and that could affect my performance."

The final was not much of a contest though the remoteness of the seating made it difficult to assess accurately all the factors involved. Distance lem disenchantment to the view, reducing the scale of the action and blurring the images. There were certainly many long, sopoforic railies, described by at least one spectator as a cure for insomnia. Another tried to count strokes but kept dozing off in the 30's and sometimes woke up to find that the same point was still being contested.

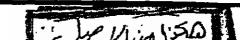
This was part of Hunt's strategy. He wanted to wear Zaman down mentally and physically, encourage him to indiscretion, and give him as little as possible o hit. For two games it worked well, with Zaman sparring patiently and getting off

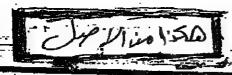


and equalling Hashim's record of seven titles.

the mark first but then declining fas as erros seeped through the fas as erros seeped through the widening holes in his conceuration. The third game went wrong because Hunt was refused a let, promptly conceded a penalty point, and briefly lost his accuracy, his ritythm and his tactical authority—whereas Zaman, encouraged by a substantial lead, managed to keep Hunt behind him and play his best squash of the match.

The fourth game differed fi the first two only in that fluid longer had to force the errory of Zaman, who kept hitting do as if perversely intent on show how easy it was to lose. In match as a whole Zaman pla well only in patches. As he c fessed later, he was not gi much of a chance to pley





Tied Cottage leads all the way to help eleCarberry equal record

lacing Correspondent

To ever increasing roars of enougaement from the huge Irish contingent. Tied Corage won an ventual race for this year's Tote heltenham. Gold Cup resterday then, mercifully, the weather was inder to both horse and human han it had been during the two revious days. To do it the way e did Tied Corage thoroughly eserved theis victory more especilly as he had looked so unlucky o lose the year before when he o lose the year before when he ell at the last fence disputing the

On ground that was testing, to ut it mildly, he led from start hidsh yesterday to give Tonmy arberry, his, fourth winning ride the race thus enabling him to qual Pat Taaffe's record. When asked him afterwards how old he as Carberry replied with a grin '29'. He has been riding for 5 long as I can remember and have a feeling that his one have a feeling that his age must ave been going in reverse for number of years in his own mind t any rate. Never matter. His erformance yesterday was pure

number of years in his own mind tany rate. Never matter. His tany rate. Never matter. His erformance yesterday was pure tagic.

This then was something of a maily triumph because Tied Cotagily triumph because Tied Cotagily triumph because Tied Cotagily I triumph tan and Joan Moore. Sadly, Dan just about the most improved its been a feature of the National luvi festival for so long—he ained L'Escargot to win the Gold up in successive years at the ealming of the seventies to name ealming of the seventies to name of in bospital. Hopefully, though, the last open ditch and last been a tank.

Outife what would have happened Border Incident had not also missingly the last open ditch and Royal Mail had not also missingly the last open ditch and Royal Mail had not also missingly the last open ditch and Royal Mail had not also missingly the last open ditch and Royal Mail had not also missingly the last open ditch and Royal Mail had not also missingly the last open ditch and lack of Triumps were solly gentled the first two home in Christie's Foahunters were only well especially Border Incident and Jack of Triumps were Sherwood, rode a most articulate race to win this cup on Rolls Rambler and Remigio started favourites but never really looked like winning and it was all that he could do mean fence he thought that he could do mean fence he the first was all that he could do mean fence he thought that he could do mean fence he thought that he could do mean fence he thought that he could do mean fence he the first was all that he c

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A fence later, Royal Mail also ent much the same way and mipered Jack of Trumps so will be the process that J. Nell had no chance whatsoever Nell land no chance whattoever taying abourd. This left only ismond Edge and Approaching the serious dangers to Tied trage. Inexplicably Diamond tige's challenge petered but sill to quickly bearing in mind the cribst he had given the eventual inner weight and a beating at saidown Park in February. That's racing for you" was all at a dejected Fulke Walwyn had say to me afterwards. He had ery right to look downcast because he had turned Diamond ige out looking a picture of lath and litness in the puddock forehand. However, for some ason Diamond Edge's perforance did not even begin to match a looks and eventually he was tiled up. e third fence from home poroaching locked a unitary unger to Tied Cottage but Carrry still had aomething left up ind they went further alread once int. Almost unbelleusibly it was

to third place ahead of Approach-ing, Chiurullah and The Suipe, which was a remarkable performance in any case. They were the

only finishers.

Running his second race in top class company in as many days Chinculah was far from disgraced especially bearing in mind his ordeal the day before. Although ordeal the day before. Although I did not see it because my eyes were distracted by the fracas caused by Royal Mail and Jack of Trumps, apparently Chiurullah made a nonsense of that fifth feuce from the finish. But for that he would have finished much closer in the opinion of his trainer, Mick O'Toole.

Talking of horses magning twice

trainer, Mick O'Toole.

Talking of horses running twice in two days, Kiog Weasel fared far better when he won the Cathcart Challenge Cup which was the last race of the meeting.

Wearing blinkers for the first time, King Weasel performed with a great deal more zest than he had the previous day when he was completely outclassed by Chinrullah. Admittedly, the company was different this time but still it was good to see his enthusiasm

time set off in pursuit of the other runners.

If Fred Winter was sad not to see Stopped win his second race of the meeting he at least could console himself with the knowledge that he saddled the first two home in Christie's Forhunters Steeplechase. They were Rolls Rambler and Remigio. I thought that Winter's assistant, Oliver Sherwood, rode a most articulate race to win this cup on Rolls Rambler. His stable companion Remigifo started favourite but never reslly looked like winning and it was all that he could do to even finish second.

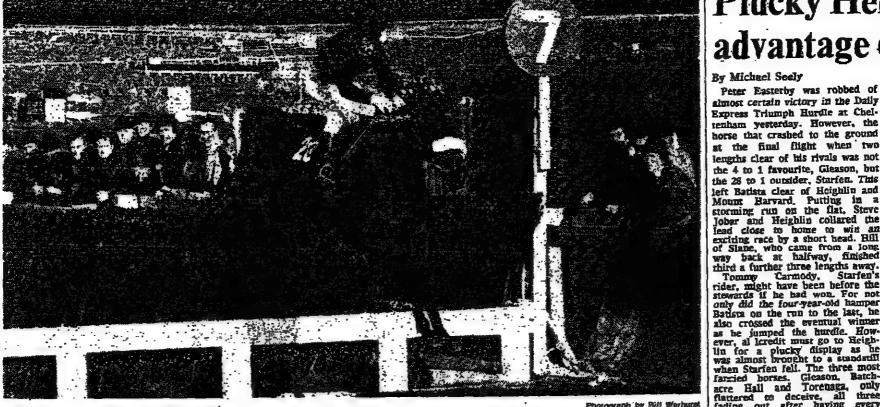
Before the race Winter's former

be even finish second.

Before the race Winter's former assistant, Nicky Henderson, who won eight races on the pair before giving up riding to start training two years ago told me mat around Cheltenham and on this ground he would favour Rolls Rambier. And how right he was. Remigio is clearly much happier going right handed as he showed earlier in the season when he won at Kempton Park and at Lelcester. Racing left-handed his jumping yesterday left sontething to be desired, not that his rider, Jim Wilson, could really complain as Michael Seely has mendoned elsewhere. He ended the meeting with three wins to his name, a brilliant achievement for an smatter anywhere schievement for an amateur any-where let alone at this of all amphithestres.

Today's meeting at Lingfield Park was abandoned yesterday afternoon when the stewards inspected the course and found that it was additional waterlogged in parts. But Chepstow has mbraculously survived the recent storus. There

survived the recent storus. There is an additional race there now because 'the Kildare Novices Sreeplechaso had to be divided yesterday for safety reasons. An obvious winner there is surely Wayward Lad in the Shamrock Novices Hurdle. Tony Dickinson's five-year-old looked a little unlucily not to best Woodford Prince at Newbury earlier this month. Woodford Prince did not exactly let the form down at Chelind they went further shead once in Almost imbelievably it was month. Woodford Prince did not excitly let the form down at Chelcond place immoing the last tenham on Wednesday when he finished third in the Snn Alliance Novices Hurdle. In the circumstending from snanching that prize stances Wayward Lad is bound to nudge from snanching that prize stances wayward as is bound to start at cramped odds to beat his opposition, which does not amount ac Vidi did manage to hang on to much.



Tied Cottage well ahead of the field as be clears the final fence where he fell last year.

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Chepstow programme

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2.45 KTLDARE CHASE (Novices: Div I: £1,295: 2m)

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5.15 SHAMROCK HURDLE (Novices: £2,112: 2m 4f)

Chepstow selections By Our Racing Correspondent

2.15 Lady Columbus. 2.45 Sheer Silk. 2.15 Sky Rider. 3.45 Young Pretender, 4.15 Kininyie, 4.45 Indired. 5.15 Wayward Lad.

Plucky Heighlin takes advantage of fall

Peter Easterby was robbed of

Express Triumph Hurdle at Cheltenham yesterday. However, the horse that crashed to the ground at the final flight when two lengths clear of his rivals was not the 4 to 1 favourite, Gleason, but the 28 to 1 outsider, Starfen. This the 28 to 1 outsider, Starten. Imselect Batista clear of Heighlin and Mount Harvard. Putting in a storming run on the flat, Steve Jobar and Heighlin collared the lead close to home to win an exciting race by a short head. Hill of Slane, who came from a long way back at halfway, finished third a further three lengths away. way back at halfway, finished third a further three lengths away. Tommy Carmody, Starfen's rider, might have been before the stewards if he had won. For not only did the four-year-old hamper Batista on the run to the last, he also crossed the eventual winner as he jumped the hurdle. However, al lcredit must go to Heighlin for a plucky display as he was almost brought to a standarill when Starfen fell. The three most farzied horses. Gleason, Batchwhen Starfen fell. The three most farried borses. Gleason, Batchacre Hall and Torenaga, only flattered to deceive, all three fading out after baving every chance racing down the hill. IGenhawk, the early leader, also dropped back quickly at the second last, leaving Batista in the lead.

dropped back quickly at the second last, leaving Batista in the lead.

Heightin gave David Elssworth, the Salisbury trainer, the most important success of his career since he took out a licence in 1978. The gelding was bought for 14,000 guineas from Henry Candy at the Newmarket antumn sales for horses out of training. "Fve always liked horses by High Line", Ellsworth said, "and we bought Heighlin specially to win this race? The owners backed him at 65 to 1, and I've had a good touch at 40 to 1". The trainer concluded by saying that Heighlin was unlikely to run over burdles against this season. A race like the Great Metropolitan Handicap at Epsom might be the next item on the four-year-old's agenda.

The stewards were in action against after this race, loe Byrtte, the jockey on Batista, was referred to Portman Square for excessive use of the whip. Andy Turnell, who rode Hill of Slane, was fined £50 for te same offence. Turnell's father, Bob, was amazed at the authority's decision: "I have difficulty in getting Andy to hit a horse at all ". Watching the camera patrol film after the race with their verdict about Byrte. Wielding his whip like a shille-lagh, the Irlah jockey administered 18 cuts to Batista. He even bit the gelding two or three times over the head in the last 50 yards, blows which could hardly have helped the horse to run any stater.

But with Turnell it was a different meeter. The suits have

mount down the neck with hiswhip, giving the horse what is
known as backhanders, that is to
say, he never turned the whip
round in his hand to use it as a
club as did Byrne and Tom Ryan
on Drumlargan on Wednesday.
Apparently the stewards' criteria
of the damage done is judged by
the number of times a horse is
marked and Hill of Slane must
have had weals on his neck. But,
as Bob Turnell and the Northern
trainer, Gordon Richards, said:
"Horses bruise very easily".
I am not a jockey, nor even

I Am not a jockey, nor even an experienced enough horseman, to know the rights and wrongs of this affair. But when you get seven different cases at the National Hunt meeting, it is obvious that the stewards have decided to take a firm stand on the matter. After all, only a few weeks ago it was a comparative rarity for a jockey to be had up for over-zealous use of the whip. Now there is a positive rush of these cases. After all, horses bayes these cases. After all, horses have been being hit for the past 200 years. So what has suddenly nap-pened to make the authorities so years. active? They were quite correct in the cases of Byrne and Ryan, but I am not so sure about Turneil or about Trd Waite on King Rep-tune in the Joe Corral Golden Hurdle Final on Wednesday.

It is no good Ryan saying, as he did after winning on Drumlargan, "the boys would have lynched me if I'd got beat". Brutality cannot be condoned. But it is better to get the matter sorted out before too much realous action is taken. After all, a new list racing season will soon be Flat racing season will soon be starting, when the destinations of millions of pounds will be decided by short heads.

It is no good arbitrary action being continually taken. Jockeys should be told exactly where they stand and professional advice should be sought. Many of the stewards, acting under National Hunt rules, have ridden in steeple-chases but with the exception of chases but with the exception of Sir Gordon Richards, certainly none have performed on the Flat except in amateur riders' events. Obviously, the Jockey Club must be the ultimate authority in these matters but they would do well to consult trainers and jockeys before laying down their guidelines.

limes.

Jim Wilson achieved his third victory of the meeting and became champion jockey of the efstival when partnering Again the Same to a decisive victory in the National Hont Handicap Steeple-thase. Again the Same's win scale thase. Again the Same's win gave his trainer, John Edwards, his second triumph at the meeting. Good Prospect having won the Kim Mule Challenge Cup on the opening day.

The County Handicap Hordle also resulted in another easy vicalso resulted in another easy vic-tory when Turnell's Prince of Bermuda came home 10 lengths clear of King's Choras, This gave But with Turnell it was a different matter. This polished horseman slapped Hill of Slane 14 times, but on each occasion it was in rigitim with the horse's may of Flete Challenge Cup with Snowshill Sailor the day before.

Wolverton wins in style

From Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent Peris, March 13

Wolverton, first runner of the year for Alec Head landed today's group three Priz Edmond Blanc at Saint-Cloud in a style which suggests the colt will have an extremely successful 1980. Recing on ground, which at best could be

from the start with Wolverton and Hilai racing together in second position. Kaldoun held his advantage until the furions marker, where Wolverton, having bten aroused by a couple of slape from Head's wing, sook command of the race.

The group three Prix de Riscorrange over a write at Version of the state of the state of the state over the state of the state over the s extremely successful 1980. Racing on ground, which at best could be described as bottomiess. Wolverton defeated the Aga Khan's Kaldoun by half a length, with Hilal two and a half lengths away, third, in front of Gosport, Blinetts, and Planning.

Freddie Head wisely galloped Wolverton, who started at odds of 17 to 18, on the outside of the track where the ground was less

ugby League

London schools compete n BARLA 'sevens'

Keith Macking (Chertsey); Kentwood (Becken-ham), Peckham Manor, Stockwell Manor, John Wycliffe, Daneford. Scott Lidgett, Sedgehill, Dick Sheppard, Ryden County (Herster) League is being played at serious competitive lavel in hools of the luner Lopdon Edit than Anthority. This fact, which it startle some people and suries many more, emerges with a announcement that next Wed announcement that next Wed widely, at Herne Hill Stadium, 12 hool teams from the ILEA will saide as guests.

Collins, born in Swamea, Says:

hool teams from the ILEA will taking part in the third annual ven-aside competition organized the British Amateur Rigby argue Association and Spockwell and School.

The principal guest for the day it is Trevor Foster, a former eish international who played it be Trevor Foster, a former he phained a Rugby League XY ainst a Rugby Ilmon XY in the principal guest for the day in the prained a Rugby League XY ainst a Rugby Ilmon XY in the principal guest for the day in the prained a Rugby League XY ainst a Rugby Ilmon XY in the prained a Rugby League XY ainst a Rugby Ilmon XY in the prained a Rugby League XY ainst a Rugby Ilmon XY in the Part of the ILEA to give Rugby League of amateur Rugby League former Longhborough College colleagues, now teaching in the ILEA to give Rugby League in t

Stenmark takes chance to make a point

Stalbach, March 13.-Ingemar Stemmark went into today's men's World Cup giant dislom with the aim of baying a good time, and he did so at the expense of his Inckies rivais, who were com-pletely outclassed. Stemmark, who conceded the World Cup to Andreas Wenzel of Liechtenstein earlier this week, had already resped his full quota of cham-pionship points in this discipline before today.

But demonstrating a fiercely competitive spproach to this event which he has made his own over the past few seasons, Steumark had this last giant slalom of the season wrapped up at the balfway stage. After the first run he was 1.07 seconds clear of Switzerland's Joel Gaspoz and 1.11 ahead of the Joel Gaspoz and 1.11 ahead of the Austrian, Hans Eng. The order remained the same after the second leg, by which time Stenmark had widened the margin over Gaspoz to more than a second and a half.

His picture was the 27th in

and a half.

His victory was the 27th in World Cup giant staloms in a career that has elevated him to the ranks of skiing immortals. It was also his sixth triumph of the season in this discipline. Sneumark has made sure of the giant slaton, which was made sure of the giant slaton. nas made sure or the gant salors and special slalom rides, but relinquished the World Copcrystal globe to Wenzel because he has refused to take part in the downhill event, a decision that has cost him dearly in World Copcing points.
Wenzel, though nowhere near



virtue of downhill placings at Val Gardena (15th), Kipzbühel (4th) and Lake Louise (5th). Ironically, Stenmark could pos-Ironically, Stemmark could pra-sibly have wen the World Cup had he picked up combined prints at Lake Louise, Alberta, Canada, Maybe next year he will decide to make his belated debut in World Cup downhill and gain his





Ice hockey

For the record

Tennis tournament: North Championship.
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Horse trials

First appearance of Range Rover team at Aldon Park

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

The horse trials season, which should have been a build-up for Moscow, opens this weekend at Crookham, near Aldershot, when 150 bright novices take the field in four sections. They will be followed by a further four on Saturday, when the veterans' class includes Gerd Willtang, Germany's world and European champion show-jumper; Jennie Loriston-Clarke, holder of a world bronze medal in dressage, riding her sister Jane's Wartior; Mary Gordon-Watson on Cornishman and Lt Ben Jones (Mexican ream gold medallists both), Major Guy Wathen, gold medal pentathelete Jim For and Michael Bullen, husband of the organizer and a team member in Rome.

On Sunday the intermediate and By Pamela Macgregor-Morris On Sunday the intermediate and

open-intermediate horses have their inaugural outing, notable among them being Lucinda Prior-Paimer on Botany Bay, Richard Meade on Kilcashel and Jane Holderness-Roddam on Foxy Bubble, all three of whom were on the Olympic short list. Bubble, all three of whom were on the Olympic short list.
Captain Mark Ptidlips is also having his first outing on Sanday, at the Aldon Pank trials near Yeovil, for the official first appearance of his new Range Rover team, represented by Fieldsman and Classic Lines. Elrigi, another of his horses, will be ridden by Andrew Hoy of Australia; who won Burghley last year with his own horse, Davey, and recently arrived at Gatcombe Park as a royal guest.

Princess Anne rides the Queen's Princess Anne rides the Queen's

Princess Anne rides the Queen's horse, Stevie B, and the following week, on March 18 and 19, she will ride Hugh Thomas's Olympic Playamar, who broke down across country at Bromont in 1976 and is making a comeback at Michael Foljambe's Osberton intale, near Washers where their Christophers was the christophers where their Christophers where the christophers was the christophers where the christophers was t Foliambe's Osperton irrais, hear Worksop, where Chris Collins has entered five horses.

The following weekend, on March 22 and 23, the reigning European champion, Mis Heagensen of Denmark with Monaco, also

a guest at Gattombe, is competing at the Shelswell Park trials, near

Bicester. Every international rider in the country is in the line-up-Miss Prior-Palmer with Killaire and Mairangi Bay. Sne Benson (née Hatherley) with Monocale, Collins, Clarissa Strachan and Rachel Bayliss, the European silver medalhist. Meade, Mrs Holderness-Roddam, Hoy and Captain Mark Phillips, the latter with the British Equestrian Federation's Rough and Tough and his own Lincoln, on whom he finished second at Boekelo in The Netherlands last October. Princess Anne rides a novice Local Encounter, and Stevie B. All these events are sponsored by the Midland Bank sital in their twelth season as fairy godmothers to the sport, are taking in their twelth season as fairy godmothers to the sport, are taking
32 meetings under their wings.
The Suffolk Hunt's qualifying
round for the Abbey Life hunt
trial championships of Great Britrial championships of Great Britrial nas siphoned off a few entries on March 16, among them
Miss Gordon-Watson, the former
World & European champion, who
is riding a borse belonging to Lady
Keith, and Tim Allhusen. Following the Meiton Mowbray and Hickstead prototypes, cross-county
team riding has become extremely
popular with the young and the
brave over the past three seasons,
and Prince Charles was recently
in the winning team representing
the Earl of Chester's Chasers. Fifty
teams of four have entered for
the Glenfiddick meeting at Bourton
on the Water on March 16, many of
them attracted by the fact that
there is no dressage test or show
jumping and that the whole thing them attracted by the tacr that there is no dressage test or show jumping and that the whole thing is a "jolly".

For those who prefer more erudition in their riding, Dalgety Spillers, the largest manufacturers of horse feeds in the country, are establishing a dressage foundation to improve standards. It will provide scholarships for up to 24 outstanding dressage index in the

vide scholarships for up to 24 outstanding dressage riders in the amateur category, who will receive up to 12 weeks training a year.

Premises are being sought and t is hoped to start operating in October. Ferdi Eilberg of Germany is to be engaged as trainer and will train a few horses for

the foundation to grand prix level.

Defender gets call Margaret Lintner has been re-

called to the England defence for the women's bockey internation against Ireland in Dublin on March 29 because of the unavailability of Linda Carr, of High-TEAM: P. Gibbon; J. Burrows, M. Lininer, M. Eckershi, R. Sykos, B. Belen, M. Sonyave, V. Robinson, K. Gordon, S. Siocombe, M. Grimlev.

Radminton

Syndicate record

Lexington, March 13.—Spectacular Bid, last year's Kentucky Derby winner, has been syndicated for stud duty at Claiborne Farm here for a second 522m. The four-year-old horse's owner. Barry Meyerhoff, said the syndication figure was based on 40 shares of 550 no0. He will not at 20 shares of 550 no0. He will not at 20 shares of 550 no0. He will not at 20 shares of 550 not the syndication of the syndica 550,000. He will retain 20 shares imself. "The list looks like the hall of fame of the world's leading broodcare owners", he said.

Football

ERESCIA: Olympic qualifying tour-ement: Italy 5, Turkey 0.

traitine will not send Palace to sleep

Palace who will be dropping a suffix from their name after a event as they no longer wish directly banefic a certain oil;

player Steven Assinder Assuming that Byrd keeps a tighter rein on his temper, particularly against the same opponents in tomorrow's likels final, there seems no con-celvable reason why Palace should

ceivable reason way raise shown not complete the treble.

In the first of tonight's semi-finals Palace face newly-promoted Ovaline, the Hemel Hempstead-based club who have excelled in their first season among the cline but, are likely, nevertheless, to succumb to the champions for the sixth time this season by a margin exceeding 2D points.

directly benefit a certain oil sixth time this season by a margin money with whom they have no sixth time this season by a margin money with whom they have no secreeding 20 points.

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Great Britain - Olympic squad : majority of the rebounds from the boards. "They can kill you if you let them get too close," warned one of Ziebart's own Americans, Bryan Donn their captain. Fiat's ability to rise to the big occasion will probably take them to a repeat of the last two finals with Palace and that would mean further chagrin for Ziebart who, after winning the League less year, and the last with a last with the last with

but failing inthe play-offs, ex-pressed considerable dissatisfac-tion at being asked to enter the Korac Cup, the less important European competition.
Having benefited from the decision to qualify for the European Cup in their place. Palace did not complain then and somewhat significantly have not expressed any concern over the possibility of the structure being reversed.

Michael Shanks on this year's reshaping of the EEC commission

Who follows Mr Jenkins into the chair?

finds the European Commission in the middle of one of its periodic bouts of dissecting its own navel. A new president has to be designated by mid-summer. He them has six months to put in place, with the member-governments, a new commission. In the meantime decisions have to be, and are being taken on the structure of the commission following the recommendations of the Spierenburg report, with the object of making the commission a more effective organization in an enlarged Community of 12 mations.

It cannot be said that the exercise is starting well. The ouestion of the presidency. on which so much else depends, is still wide open. It is unlikely, though not impossible, that Mr Roy Jenkins will be asked to serve a further term. The countries which have not so far provided a president are Luxembours, Ireland and Denmark. The previous president lansholt, occupied the chair for only a brief period after the premature departure of the Italian president Signor Mal-farti, to the Dutch can and do claim the right to a full presi-

the convention the presidency has come to be a four-year affair (originally it was a two-year appointment). and since everyone agrees that the president should be given more powers, the choice is crucial. Indeed, Me Jenkins presidency has made it more eo. His one unquestioned achievement in a somewhat parchy record has been to clevate the standing of the commission president to somemajor heads of state in the EEC. This has been no mean athievement, but it is not yet clear whether it is a personal eminence or one which can be transmitted to his successor.

At the moment the front rumners are, in this order of likelihood. M Gaston Thorn of Luxembourg. Dr Barend Biesbcuvel of the Netherlands, and Mr Finn Olay Gundelach of Denmark. There appears to be no credible Irisb candidate, and in any case there would probably be a good deal of hospility to two Angiophone presidents

"The social democratic ap-

proach to the economic, social,

cultural and political problems of the day has exhausted its strength", writes Professor

Raif Dahrendorf in a stimula-ting and provocative pamphlet* to be published next Wednes-

He makes it clear that he is

not referring simply to the in-tellectual plight of what has

hecome known as the social

democratic wing of the Labour

Party. He has in mind the reac-

western countries have, to a

coverned in the postwar years: belief in a welfare state; a

ment that would seek to deal with whatever problems arose,

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Presidential front-runners: Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, Dr Barend Biesbeuvel and M Gaston Thorn.

European faderalist. The greatest risk he faces is a French veto this relations with President Giscard d'Estaing are not particularly good). Dr Biesheuvel is also a former rrime minister, and would proy prove a more abrasive tougher president than M Thorn.

Mr Gundelach, the present commissioner for agriculture, would be a quite different president: a technocrat rather han a politician, a man who knows the workings of the commission incide out—he has been a commissioner since 1972, and before that was an international civil servant. He would probably be much better than Mr Jenkins has been at administering the commission bureaucracy, but it is doubtful whether he would be accorded the same respect among the world's leaders and member-governments, and while a dedicated and highly effective commissioner his relations with colleagues and subordinaces are not aiways very amicable.

So the choice of president M Gaston Thoro is a former will determine to a considernrime minister of the Grand ble extent the argle of the Duchy, a highly experienced and flexible politician with an us to the Spierenburg report,

impeccable background as a commissioned by Mr Jenkius about this solution. It solves the European faderalist. The to advise on the appropriate tricky issue of whether Sprin greatest risk he faces is a structure of the commission in would be entitled to two comthe light of the impending admission of Greece Portugal and Spain. The key Spiercnburg recommendation was that the number of com-missioners should be cut to one from each country—at present Britain, France, West Germany and Italy have two each—and that there should be a corresponding rationalization of directorates general and all the

services reporting to them.

The commission has welcomed the report, and wents to start implementing it straight away. Unfortunately the central deci sion—the number of commissioners per country—has to be taken by the European Council (the thrice-yearly meeting of heads of state of the EEC). The present gossip in Brussels suggests that the council will fudge the issue, agreeing in principle that no country should have more than one commis-sioner but delaying the imple-mentation to the Spanish acces-sion, which effectively means till 1984. Thus the next com-mission will be the last to operate under the present

There is a superficial logic

junior minister assisting his over-worked colleague in one or missioners or one—pobody sug-gests that Greece or Portugal other of the major departments, should have more than one each
—and it puts off the awkward
moment for the Big Four. But relations. This concept of a 'two-tier commission' mission's work was an alterna-tive rejected by the Spierenburg it also effectively negates the other elements of the Spiercacommittee in favour of the hurg report which flow from it. At present the commission is busily trying to regroup its ser-vices into fewer units, and cavemissioner per country. But it could be resurrected as an interim measure if the council delars the change mooted by Spierenburg for four years. Otherwise the impetus provided by Spierenburg could well be ing a good deal of disaffection and adverse morale in the procuss, as officials see their little autonomous empire: submerged in larger groups, and their promotion prospects blocked.

If there is no rationalization But of course such an interim solution affects the choice of at the top, however, the main purpose of this reorganization commissioners to be made over the roming months, and if it wants to influence member-governments to go down this route the commission will need to move fast. There is no indicawill be lost. The problem is ther there is really not chough work for the commission to provide 13 (15 with Greece and Portugall commissioners with visble separate departments. So a tion at present whether this is likely to happen, and meanwhile the commission is entering the "lame-duck" period when comsignificant part of the commission's present activities is influenced by the need to create for under-empinyed commissioners.

nissioners start to lose credibility and interest in the job, as The alteractive solution is for they manoeuvre for reappointment or start looking for other some of the commissioners (for that the authority of the presi-

Nor can it be said, after its dramatic rejection of the budget, that the Parliament has done much to fill the gap left by the commission's declining star. Indeed, latest indications suggest that Europe's farm lobbies have moved swiftly and effectively to save the common agricultural policy from the kind of cuts implied by the outcome of the budget debate, and indicated in the revised budget presented to parliament by the commission.

It seems clear that a substan-

It seems clear that a substanstantial number of parliamen-tarians are now prepared to back away from the implica-tions of their budger vote, by tions of their budger vote, by trying to divorce the budget from the question of farm incomes. One can understand the pressure to which members from rural constituencies must be subject, but logic must count for something. It is indisputably the Common Agricultural Policy which is driving the commission towards bankruptcy.

The choices are fairly clear. Either Parliament votes more money in the budget to underwrite the escalating costs of the CAP—which it has refused to do or the community cuts back on its non-agricultural spend-ing (regional fund, social fund, overseas sid, research and development, exclude which everybody is opposed or ways have to be found of cutting the cost of farm support. Other-wise the commission will run out of funds some time in

The best way out of this dilemma by far would be for the community institutions to focus their attention urgently on alternative ways of protecting the incomes of the poorer farmers, which do not involve the consumer having to subsi-dice the production of ever-larger surpluses of foodstuffs that nobody wants. An inci-dental benefit of such a change dental benefit of such a change of policy is that it would go a long way towards solving the particular problem of the British budget contribution (about which nobody outside the United Kingdom seems to be concerning himself unduly; the Thatcher magic does not seem to work very well in the chancellaries of Europe).

It is a great pity, when there are so many vital issues for the future of Europe at stake, that the commission is so poorly placed—through no fault of its own—to give a lead.

Reading the small print on the West Bank

The autonomy negotiations between Egypt and Israel, with American participation, to settle on an interim regime for the West Bank and Gaza are limping feebly, in contrast to the robust progress of the parallel arrangements for normalization of bulateral relations.

Their condition has provoked the former Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr Abba Eban, to weigh, in with a devastating analysis in the Jerusalem Post of the Begin government's conduct of the ralks.

In their joint letter to President Carter at Camp David, Mr

dent Carrer at Camp David, Mr Begin and President Sadat con-rirmed their view that "the objective of the negotiations is the establishment of a self-governing authority in the West Bank and Gazz in order to proride full autonomy to the inhabitants ".

Mr. Eban comments that
"full" autonomy was Mr.
Begin's own phrase. "This
implies." he writes, "that there
are varying degrees of autonomy and that Mr. Begin favours
the highest degree of autonomy
that the word can signify or
sustain."

The joint letter speaks of the military government and its civilian administration being with hawn " and being "replaced by the self-governing authority Some Israeli troops will go; others will be re-deployed into specific security

Mr Ebao than looks at the Israeli model of autonomy which has been produced in the negotiations, with its division of powers between those specifically allotted to a small elected administrative council, those that continue to be exerused by Israel and those shared between the two.

To the former Foreign Minisper with his exquisite powers of linguistic analysis, the idea of inguistic abayas, the income of a military administration of co-existing with that which replaces it after its withdrawal is a mystery heroad the power of the English language to solve. The main political objection

to the Israeli model is that, should it prevail, there would be no incentive for a distinctively West Bank Palestinian leadership to assert itself. In the elections for Israel's version of an 11-member administrative ouncil there would in practice be no voters and no candidates. The agreement of the Palestine Liberation Organization would be needed, at least implicitly, before any election could effect-ively be held.

But it did so agree over the But it did so agree over the last mayoral elections; and one point repeatedly made in conversation by West Bankers is that their relationship with the PLO is two-way. It is out of the question that they should case to acknowledge that the organization is their political representative: but they insist that nowadays it has to pay attention to their wishes.

The Mayor of Hashoul, Mr Muhammad Milhem, a man of

Muhammad Milhem, a man of impeccably radical antecedents, is for example ready to discuss nize the Jewish people as a nation and as a state (contrary the Palestine

Once Israel had made a de-Palestinians' right of self-deter-mination "peace steps would follow and very smoothly." In that event the PLO "will have to break this whole icing and show readiness that we want to co-exist in two neighbouring states—Jewish and Arab."
For Mr Milhem, as for all Palestinian Arabs, the term "West Bank" includes East

Jerusziem, just as for them the term " undivided city of Jarusalem", on which they are agreed, means a city without walls and sub-machine guns; not, as with

for a four or five year mans ional period which " will brid the gap of suspicion and he to bring ideas closer." He wan prefer a third neutral parunder the flag of the Unit Nations, to exercise this intertrusteeship.

This is still some way beyon the Egyptian model, which self makes the absolute assure rion that at the end of five-year transition the W Bank and Gaza will pletely free from the Israe whereas the whole point of the Camp David language was bathe the final objective in the control of the control

waters of total obscurity. But disregarding some hig prejudicial language, whe may well have been include as ballast to be dropped during the magnificant, the Egypt model does seem to corresponded the seem to correspond the seem to corr more closely than the Isra one with the wording a spirit of Camp David.

It establishes a full appara of sovernment, with legisla of government, with legislar, and judiciary alongside administration, and conveys totality of powers over don tic affairs. For such an at nomy, though still under shadow of Israel, the Patinians would be very temp to run elections.

There would then chance of a distinctive W cames of a distinctive was a series of the PLO, might be expected develop over the five-year to sition its own character experience. For one the though the hard struggis make the autonomous reg work, they would be likely strengthen their relations v their only Arab neighbor Jordan, a result supposedly

sired by the Israelis. Already there is talk on West Bank of various forms federal or quasi-federal i tions between the two ba of the river Jordan. The c form of union ruled out is. involving a common head

Nevertheless it seems li that Mr Begin will stick close to the Israeli model autonomy, which has scar-altered since he presented plan for the West Bank Gaza to the Knesser in Dec ber, 1977.

In Mr Eban's view, "to m tain full control of land, we security, ultimate judi security, ultimate surthority and all legislation deny the autonomous sys hood or any form of enactu and to dignify this by title of 'full autonomy' is tamount to the pre-matal bu of the autonomy idea.". The impression is stren

ened by a settlement policy planting Israeli colonies—wi in future are to be urban well as agricultural—through the West Bank so that t separate and surround the n Arab centres of population.
The hawkish elements in
Israeli Cebinet are b strengthened. On taking of the new Finance Minister. Yiel Hurwitz, remark There is no contradiction tween the necessity to pr drastically the government

large sums to the colonizat of Judea and Samaria". And Ayreham Schweit writing in Ha'aretc, descri the expected appointmentthe expected appointment—frontined—of Mr Yitzi Shamir, the Speaker and a mer leader of the Stern gates the new Foreign Minister, final confirmation that Begin regards the second b of his premiership "as period of absolute No."

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Geoffrey Smith

The social goals that count

against big government and expensive public programmes. against big This is epitomized by the strength of Mr Mogens Glistrup's Progress Party in Proposition 13 in California

There are a number reasons for this reaction. The end of the era of rapid economic growth has made it barder mixed economy "constrained by numerous rules, regulations and to pay for the social benefits and other government pro-grammes, which have required not just high turation to pay for them but also an extensive policies": greater equality, particularly of opportunity; and a generally activist governhureaucracy to administer them. The process of govern-ment has been overloaded by expectations. Professor Dahren-dorf also refers to what he terms a revolt against reason.

from the defeat of the Labour Government in Britain or even I would put it rather differ-ently. It is not a belief in the the exclusion from office over the past three-and-a-half years of the Social Democrats in value of reasoning that is a distinguishing feature of social democracy but the value of of the Social Democrats in Sweden, the citadel of European social democracy. Still pursuing specific social objectmore important is the wave of tives through a process of col-

with its instinctive fulls in the energy for the common good— tions of low economic growth. magical properties of a table if Adam Smith's "guiding hand". But I suspect that here he is only sufficient people of good— this is in keeping with social making the same mistake as the will can be gathered around it. spread attachment to social goals than may always be the case. It may consequently fail to take sufficient account of to take sufficient account the selfish, competitive, acquisitive and aggressive forces in

Experience with incomes policy is a case in point. This quintessentially a social democratic instrument. It was broken under Mr Callaghan, even though a large majority of the general public still approved of such a policy to principle, because it could not accommodate such forces in the form of pressure for differentials and a simple desire to get ahead of the game.

vidua) and group asscriiteness. For that reason I would give this approach a distinctly better chance than Professor Dahrendorf, who believes that it " is at best likely to fall; at worst it will create havor in industry and the political community, compared to which a temporary confrontation with the miners

was but a parlour game". He is looking beyond social democracy to new horizons where "economic affairs are no longer the central concern individual lives and public policies". I find this inherently improbable, given his assumption of continuing low growth. To seek a the reconstruction of human lives so that employ-The right-wing alternative by ment is but one of a sequence contrast, takes account of these of activities which provide

lective reasoning. There is forces by seeking either to sub-much in this that is attractive ject them to the disciplines of personal growth might be the to the British temperament, the market or to harness their most civilized course in condimating the public willingness to rationally social goals. If economic growth is low

then attempts to raise it will be the first political priority. The natural effect will be to intensify competition between countries and within them. This will be followed by more in-tense argument over the distri-bution of the limited product a process that will be less elevated than the reconstruction of human lives. It is when there is abundance that economic issues are more likely to slip down the agenda.

When there is shortage, economic anxieties will pro-dominate. If these cannot be relieved by right-wing measures then there will be a swing either to an administration of the farther left — seeking to achieve public goals by greater government ownership and control-or a return to social democracy. If it is the latter. then the touchstone will be incomes policy, possibly sup-ported by import controls. The more one looks at the

social democrats the more one feels that the logic of their position requires them to derclop a more elaborate mechanfor incomes policy that would seek to provide for greater flexibility between the earnings of one group of work ers and another. Such a system would be conceivably more lasting than the makeshift quasifreezes that have been pressed into service as incomes policies in the past.

I suspect that it is only if the right-wing alternative suc-ceeds that social democracy will really have been discarded. Otherwise we may in due course see some familiar poli-

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are joining the protesters Last week Russia honoured its

Why women

women. On March 8, as every year, there were tributes in the press, speeches in the Kremlin and flowers for the wives to mark International Women's Day. The holiday has become an appual acknowledgement by the minority of its debt to the majority. It is recognition of the essential role played by women, who outnumber men by a larger proportion in the Soviet Union than in any other country, in keeping the wheels of industry

turning.

But the Russians are becoming increasingly worried that the price their women bave to pay is intolerable. Women's lives are exhausting, the demands impossible to satisfy; the result is that fewer and fewer are able or willing to have more han one child.

Women's liberation is scorned in a country that granted women full legal equality many years ago. But Soviet women are beginning to demand real changes, and the press now publishes their letters of frust-

from work about seven o'clock in the evening and leave in the morning, so that I am not at home practically all day, except for days off

There's no time or strength for a smile or a kind word. You get to bed after half the and your head doesn't even touch the pillow before of today. For, as one woman you're asleep. You get up in said in a letter, women's

the morning a little bit earlier so as to be able just to look at yourself for a moment in the mirror before hurrying off to work.

Russians are beginning to see that three striking sets of statistics, all fully detailed in the Soviet press, are inter-

Women account for more than half the total Soviet labour force: 92 per cent of all working-age women either work or study.

One in three of all marriages in the Soviet Union ends in divorce. Of all those married in 1977, a third had filed for divorce by the end of 1978. The hirthrate in the Russian republic has fallen to the point where 56 per cent of all couples, according to a recerr survey, have only one child. Another 33 per cent have only two children, and six per cent have three. That means that 89 per cent of families in the most industrialized part of the country have fewer children than the replacement rate.

The Sovier authorities are worried by this dramatic fall in the population in those parts of the country where labour is most needed. Already there is a labour shortage, which offi-cially say will rapidly become more intense.

The central question now is:

daily.

"I have two children." a woman from Kishinyov wrote recently. "I work as a senior engineer and my husband is also an engineer. I get back mother?

The central question now is:
how can Soviet women he encouraged to have more children? What should be done to holster the image of woman as mother?

Indeed some Soviet experts.

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are beginning to suggest that the emancipation of women, at least their participation in full-time labour, has gone too far. Strengthening the family is seen to be in direct conflict with the social and labour demands on the Soviet woman



seeping takes up four or tive hours every day-far longer in the Soviet Union, with the lack of modern amenities and long queues in shops, than in the West. And as housing improves, the old people who used to live with their children are no ionger there to help. A woman gave a good exam-

ple of this in a letter to a paper last mouth: "One morning I went out for milk with my little baby in a pram. In our rown milk is sold from clustes on the street beside the shop. There was a quene.

" I asked them to let me have milk for the baby without hav-ing to wait. Everyone called out. 'Why don't you get up earlier?" Have they really for-gotten how little sleep you get

when you have a baby? I went away without the milk, and so in the evening my husband had to slop his classes and go and

But usually Soviet men do little m help. "In principle socialist society opposed the social inequality of women. But traditions are still quite strong and they impede a fair division of the impede a fair division." of family labour and responsi-bilities between the sexes." Soviet professor wrote some

He found that in 61 per cent of Soviet families women did all the shopping, compared with an the snopping, which men did; in 64 per cent they always prepared dinner (men 4 per cent) and in 64 per cent they did all the washing and troning (men 2 per cent). In the remaining families household tasks were shared, with children and aged parents also helping but the burden generally fell on women.

Bousework takes so long because only 15 per cent is mechanized compared with 80 per cent in the United States. In the Soviet Union refrigerators, washing machines and vacuum cleaners account for 60 per cent of all electric appliances, against only 35 per cent in America.

The result is that women do The result is that women do

not have some to cope with more than one child. As it is, more than one child. As a soother survey found the time that working mothers could devote to their children was only one twelfth of the time ritey daing housework and spent doing housework one eighth of the spent cooking meals.

The main reason many women give for not having more ren is the lack of proper facilities where the young ones can be left. Nursery schools are constantly affected by illness, and working women find it diffiMany mothers say that be-

cause conditions in nursery schools are so unsatisfactory and their staffs overworked, children fall ill more often than at bome. Nowadays the tradi-tional arrangement of a livingin grandmother is changing as old people move into flats of their own. There are no baby-sitters and a mother has to stop work to look after her child. In spite of pre-war flirtations

with theories of communal families and the state care of children. Soviet educationists firmly and frequently stated in recent months that nothing can replace the family: the found of all culture and edu-cation and the socializing agent that teaches love, respect, values and healthy social atti-

Some economists have tried to work out the monetary value of Soviet women's work in the home; to replace them with state salaried workers would mean hiring 100 million people at a cost of 150,000 million roubles (£120,000 million) a year.

But the present campaign to

upgrade the status and value of women's work in the home runs into difficulties. Firstly, the Soviet economy cannot spare its women workers. Respectable rates of economic growth have been made possible in recent vears only by adding as many women and pensioners to the labour force as possible. To shed labour now would aggra-vate a situation which is be-coming increasingly grim as the effects of the fall in the birth-rate hegin to him. rate begin to bite.
The other difficulty is that

Soviet women cannot afford nor to work. As prosperity rises, so does consumer demand. The average family can no longer

enjoy what is considered normal standard of living on salary of the man slone. An as in the West, women rese the boredom of being hous bound, especially when mo Various solutions have

put forward; more partin work, more flexible working hours, higher family allowance preater mechanization of house work, more self-service show to cut shooping time, two yes the present one year, and mo education to prepare men to tamily life and overcome the attitude that housework strictly women's work All the are envisaged to the currentive year plan but many ar

To encourage women to hat more children also depends of improved housing. Millions of new filets have been built if recent years. But many one and two-room thats are so crampet that no one wants more that one child. And abortion is stirreadily available to prevent second arriving.

For years Soviet ideology has encouraged women to work and has boasted of their high path cipation rates in the labour force. But the need for more children is now regarded as each more pressing. Pravda points our that for society and its long-term goals a good family.

was no less important than

was no less important than good business.

One warman complained in a lecter less mouth that she asked for time off from work to look after her new-born child and was told by the boss: "If you want to look after your bab, do so. If you want to work then work like all the other?"

She gave up her job. And the paper's best wishes went with her.

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PILING ON THE PRESSURE

othing that has happened since oviet tanks rolled into Afghanian on Boxing Day and a boycott f the Moscow games was first looted makes it any more fitting lat the Olympics should be celerated in that city this summer, r, if they are, that British thletes should participate. On . 1e contrary, Russia's military epression of Afghanistan connues unabated, and its dissients at home are being arassed more intensively. intensively, ther in connexion with the lympic preparations in Moscow r otherwise.

In Britain a heavy weight of ublic opinion has gathered shind the call for boycott—the overnment, the Archbishop of anterbury, most of Fleet Street, me commercial sponsors-but he achietes—most of them—and ieir representatives hold firmly their view that participation y them in the games at Moscow ses not unply on their part any indorsement of Soviet policy neign or domestic, nor does it aply any lack on their part of ie common feelings of revulsion the actions for which the viet Union is condemned. linisters insist that it is not what he athletes intend their prerace in Moscow to signify or not signify that matters, but what hers would make of it and in articular what the Russians ould make of it for propaganda urboses.

Spokesmen for the athletes w make two complaints: that ey are being unfairly singled tt and used as political unters: and that having been told that they auld be put under no coercion the Government, they now. el that they are. That they are ing singled out is true, but not fairly. The Government-supersed rupture with Moscow is r from total. Diplomatic interurse remains normal; trade. cept in certain sensitive tegories, continues to be couraged. The athletes were t in the firing line because so happened that they were out to join in something out which Russia was poised to ike a huge propaganda meal, d the collapse of which would a slap in Russia's face for all e world to see.

derstood to involve threats or response to the Soviet Union's - citizens may be shifted.

penalties or legal compulsion. seizure and continuing occupa-Nothing which has been done so tion of Afghanistan, that parfar answers to that, with the ticular sporting fixture became possible exception of the directives conterning civil servants and the armed forces which appear to mean that any selected for the Olympics might be put in a position of being able to accept only by breaching their terms of service. But, short of coercion, the Government is undeniably putting strong and increasing pressure on athletes and their representatives to conform to its wishes. It has lifted the question of attendance at the Moscow games to the level of a matter of state. It has indicated where the national interest lies. and it expects responsible citizens to act accordingly.

This is a rather unexpected position for a Conservative government to bave reached. The arrangement of sporting fixtures, considered by itself, is pretty plainly not one of those matters the Thatcher state would wish to make its own business. Not many days ago Mrs Thatcher was expounding, in her Airey Neave memorial lecture. her philosophy of the selfrestricting state, strong in its own sphere, but scrupulous not to engross every kind of public, let alone private, affair. It was the first principle of her minismy to revive the individual's sense of responsibility for his own life and decisions. It was their ambition " to re-invigorate not just the economy and indusry but the whole body of voluntary associations, loyalties and activities which gives society its richness and diversity, and hence its real strength. The state should not appear in the guise of a loquacious and tedious companion at every stage of life's journey". (Sir Denis Follows, wedded to his own point of view, might be forgiven for supposing that he had found just such a companion for this stretch of his life's journey.)

If the Prime Minister's political action appears to be a bit athwart her philosophy it is easy to see why. When she promptly and heartily endorsed President Carter's decision to make the destruction of the Moscow games As for coercion, that must be a part of the West's diplomatic

willy-nilly a counter in foreign policy-something which the Russians for their part had always regarded it as. The move having been made, it becomes a matter of great importance that

it be successfully followed through. For governments in the free world to declare a boycott and for their Olympic competitors, being free men and women, to decide otherwise would be damaging to the western diplomatic offensive, for all that it would exemplify the reality of the freedom which this part of the world claims for its politica! societies. So the question of participation in the games becomes a matter of state, and the Government, not at first getting the answer it wants, is driven to move from persuasion to pressure, until the athletes though so far mistakenly-cry coer cion". The Government should be very careful indeed not to proceed to a point at which the

complaint is justified. The Commons debate which the Government has arranged for Monday is another turn of the screw. A debate with litle dissent from the motion followed by an overwhelming vote in its favour would carry an authority which. in all the circumstances, it would he hard indeed to resist. When President Carter announced his conditional boycott and his Secretary of State asserted, a little rashly it seemed at the time, that if the Government expressed its view "our citizens will follow that view", both houses of the Congress stepped in to help Mr Vance's words come true by recording landslide majorities, close to unanimity, in support of a boycort. It cannot be taken for granted that things will be quite like that on Monday night. A motion condemning the Russian regime for its international and domestic crimes would unite the Commons almost to a man. A motion calling on our Olympic athletes to stay away in order to serve that purpose may stireddies of debate and achieve less than total support, because of an uneasy feeling that to meet a totalitarian challenge our own customary and hon-totalitarian delimitation of the spheres of operation of the state and its

AKISTAN'S NON-ALIGNMENT

lely into some other country's peared to be admitting d been too brusque in its dealis with Pakistan over the

viet invasion of Afghanistan. Brzezinski seems to bave ne to Islamabad with too fixed. idea of what was expected of kistan's reaction to events in bul and then to have proposed litery and economic aid cirnscribed by onerous condi-as that Pakistan found unable accept. Relations between two countries had been cool some years. A wholly unjused assault on the American bassy in Islamabad, coming top of the cruel and unjust ention of the American bassy staff in Teberan, had 1-dly been a preparation for a heare and careful approach on Americau side to Pakistan's iction to events in Pakistan. But it was not only resentment d pride that prompted General i's foreign affairs adviser, Mr ha Shabi to turn down the nerican aid package of \$200m momic and \$200m military aid. a speech last week Mr Shahi tanced too great an American scern with Indian anxieties as reason for the refusal a tural retort to Mrs Gandhi's thinking and unjustified accuion that the arms to be suped would be used against lia. Soon afterwards General ul-Haq rubbed in Pakistan's ection of American aid by arging on the help Pakistan

wers that see themselves as could rely on from their many bal, when seized by the friends in the Islamic world; ency of a crisis are always, suggesting further that Pakistan ble to stride unwarily and could quite well reach its own modus vivendi with the Soviet Union; and that in any case his airs. Yesterday the state country had come round to partment in Washington accept a policy of non-alignment off that course by hurried decisions taken in Washington and broght ready made for Pakistan's acceptance.

This seemed to put Pakistan's No to Washington in the context of a revised foreign policy, going almost as far as to insist that whatever alignments Pakistan did accept it was not likely to be one with the Americans. Needless to say, if this was what was meant it was most disturbing to the Americans. But it was equally possible to regard Mr Agha Shai's remerks and General Zia's speech as no more than a tactic to extract from the Americans a rether better offer than the one which Mr Brzezinski brought ready made in his briefcase. The truth is probably in neither of these interpretations. The pride and the resentment are certainly present in Pakistan's reply. What also needs to be understood is that Afghanistan is a country that has been filling the files in Pakistan's foreign ministry for decades and that the Soviet role in that country is nothing new Pakistan's calculations. Afghanistan's claim to be a nonaligned country were to be reversed or was to recover its eality from the shock of a Soviet intrusion into its unstable political life, then Pakistan's own judgment as a recent but. genuine convert to non-elienment decisions taken in company with the Americans. Certainly no wholesale reversal

of policy on Pakistan's part seems to have been intended. Obviously events in Afghanistan have made an already nervous and somewhat unstable military serious refugee problem and subject to continuous allegations of subversive military intentions against the Afghans and their Rusian friends, rather more blunt in its public comment than need be. The point having been made that Pakistan wants to make its own political choices in circumstances that affect its own internal stability, both sides are now reconsidering their position. Mr Warren Christopher made this plain vesterday from the American side.

Pakistan sees economic aid as the first priority and talks are being resumed on this as a senarate package from any military sid, the justification for which Pakistan is still assessing as events in Afghanistan unfold and as their own contacts with the Russians may suggest. At all events non-alignment will remain the starting point of Pakistan's thinking in the company of almost all the Islamic states towards which Pakistan looks for sympathy and understanding. With the first agitated and urgent moves in the Afghanistan crisis out of the way the fresh discussions between America and Pakistan will start from a better mutual understanding and the alloying of the worst suspicions on both sides. Even Mrs Gandhi's temperature should not rise unduly at the thought of increased economic aid going to

erelict land

m Mr Adrian Stungo Professor Chisholm's letter arch 5) on why land is left used is only part of the story. Of rse steps need to be taken to vent this practice and Professor sholm's suggestion that races uld be levied seems more practhan the powers proposed in Local Government Planning and ed Bill enabling the Secretary of te to compile registers of underd land. As things stand at sent, the rating system actually vides an incentive for owners to e land idle. Another practical gestion is that land should be in accounts at its current

er than its historic cost. ur equally important is the need prevent more land from being ndoned. On March 3 the Port of idon Authority amounced its intion to close the West India Millwall docks covering over acres. The British Steel Coration and British Leyland have is to close down existing plants. the private sector similar

ures are threatened. very time this happens the emrees are given redundancy paywith the redundant plant? Is re not also a care for making ncial provision to ensure that plants can be refutbished and

put to some other use or else demolished and the site reclaimed? Why should the cost always fall on general public and be met by derelict land grants rather than on the enterprise concerned?

The absence of such measures in

deserved to be weighed in any

the past has meant that vast tracts of land, often in the most socially and economically deprived areas, are left blighted and then deter new investment on account of the poor environment. Does, this make economic sense? Yours faithfully, .

ADRIAN STUNGO, 27 Gayton Road, NW3. March 6

Closed doors

From Mr J. C. Small Sir, Mr Rose in his heartfelt letter (March 8) clearly realizes the diffi-culty of keeping churches open during the week when he writes that "the church had locked its doors . . and once again the

vandals had won " . I am Vicar's warden of a church in the centre of Hove which, frankly; has not the resources to provide permanent weekday surveillance in order to overcome this

proble We hope to provide facilities in parts of the church which are under-used, for a day centre for the

her neighbour.

elderly to be created. As a result of constant weekday use of the day centre it will probably be possible for the doors to the church to be kept open throughout the week, with much less fear of vandalism. Perhaps church buildings in rown centres elsewhere could profitably be shared during the week to wide spread advantage. Yours faithfully,

Windlesham Gardens, Brighton. March 10.

TORN SMALL

Heating and sleeping From Mr P. B. Soul Sir, Mrs M. K. Churcher (March 8) advises cold old-age pensioners to seek the warmth of the various public buildings that are overheated at

their expense. Rerkshire pensioners would be wise to avoid their local public libraries: the County Council recently decided that a £20 fine shall be demanded of those who fall asleep over the books that have been bought at their expense. Yours faithfully,

P. B. SOUL. Lakeside Parley. Reading,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Positive thinking for the fishing industry

From Commander M. B. F. Ranken Sir, your second leader (March 11) describes the past decade as dis-astrous for the fishing industry, bur this is only true in the context of what actually happened through everyone's refusal to look abead towards establishing and enforcing a rational regime for conservation and management of fish stocks, something which the 200-mile exclusive fishing limits have made possible since 1977, first in European waters and since in many other countries

The distant water fisheries for bottom fish bave been virtually extinguished, and in our own case this effectively destroys the Hull fleet of traditional large trawlers, but the inshore and near-water fisheries should be given a highly profitable new lease of life, and some middle-water vessels should also have a stable future. New species also need some of the la-er processing vessels previously sailing

from the Humber ports.

The present "EEC pond" in the Atlantic has an area of 525,000 square nautical miles, of which the United Kingdom share is about 52 per cent: when Spain and Portugal-are added, as well as Greenland, the total reaches 1,430,000 square nautical miles. By careful management and control it is probably not wishful thinking to suggest a maximum sustainable yield for this area of \$10 million tenner of fish each of 8-10 million tonnes of fish each year, of which the UK food fish share should certainly be the largest, mainly from above her 192,000 square nautical miles of continental shelf. Stable catches at these levels will surely provide secure livelihoods for our fishermen, but only if a rational CFP (Common Fisheries Policy) is spoked and enforced, so that the fish can be landed at prices acceptable on the market, remembering

that the fish industry on land is not in the least concerned with the origins of its raw materials-home

landings or imports.

Redeployment and restructuring of the fishing fleet is imperative and urgent, and it is unthinkable that this strategic reserve of fishermen and their boats should be left to founder and disappear, while the politicians and bureaucrats go on disagreeing about the CFP, and fish stocks continue at risk of major decline. At least 25,000 fishermen's livelihoods are at stake in the larger boats, well over 100,000 of our coastal population, quite apart from many shore jobs in handling, processing and supporting roles. James Johnson's suggestion of a levy on imported fish to sustain our own fleet is a reasonable interim measure, and might perhaps help to hasten agreement on a practical CFP aimed at effective scientific management of the stocks on a community basis, coupled with co-operative national surveillance and enforcement using sensible aircraft and ships, and enough of them. It was inappropriate and very expensive ships that let us down off Iceland, not poor seamanship. Many of us questioned the appropriate ness of our existing patrol vessels,

and even more so the still larger OPV2s announced last week A healthy and profitable fishing industry at home could provide the hase for joint rectures abroad and for worldwide exports of the right fishing and natrol vessels, sircraft, infrastructure and expertise now urgently needed to develop the aportant opportunities created the new 200-mile exclusive fishing very many developing countries, many of them in the Commonwealth. Yours faithfully

MICHAEL RANKEN, 28 Ciare Lawn Avenue, SW14.

optimal treatment for their cancer

London medical schools

From Dr Leonard Weiss Sir, I am writing to express my amazement at news of the recom-mendation that Westminster Rospital should lose its Radiotherapy Department and be downgraded to an annex of St Thomas's Hospital. This move will effectively destroy Westurinster Hospital as a comprehensive cancer centre, in which patients are offered a full spectrum of diagnosis and treatment on an individual baris.

Loss of the radiotherapy department means much more than loss of equipment and minor inconvenience. Its major impact will be the effective loss of radiotherapists from the Hospital, with consequent loss of input in making multidiscip-linary therapeutic decisions. If these staff are not physically on the premises, then even if they are based nearby, they will not be used fully in a day-to-day consultative capacity, and patients with cancer will be the ultimate logers.

Whatever, the future holds in cancer treatment, there is absolutely no ovestion that at present and in at least the near future, hradiation is a therapeutic cornerstone. To deay any group easy, in house access to radiotherapeutic equipment and radiotherapists is to deny patients

In addition to fostering bad medi-one, the recommendation is front because under the leadership of such giants as Sir Ernest Rock-Carling and Sir Stanford Cade and their collengues. Westminster Hospital provided one of the world's foremost examples of the multidisciplinary approach to cancer treatment. This inspired tradition, which provided me and many other former Westminster students with the impetus to specialize in cancer treatment and escarch is still present, and con-tinues to provide a much-needed training resource. As an oncologist working in an internationally recognized centre, I think that I am quali-lied to make these judgments.

I would not presume to comment on priorities within the National Health Service or on the agonizing choices that must be made on general economic grounds. However, I feel strongly that the treatment of patients with cancer should not be subject to buresucratic expe-Yours faithfully.

LEONARD WEISS, Chief Cancer Research Clinician, Roswell Perk Memorial Institute, Buffalo, United States. February 27.

tree he had himself planted at

Cowes in 1869. He sat in it every

morning. He was able to say that

he had known Napoleon III person-

ally, for he used to meet the Emperor daily on the front at

Cowes and Napoleon always stopped

to talk to him. He could also say that his grandfather had danced a

nuadrille with Marie Actoinette. That was in 1785, four years before

Dean Albert Baillie's great-uncle performed a similar Thespian feat

Her Majesty must have found young visitors from the British

My father's great-grandfather fought at Fontenoy and, under Cumberland, at Culloden.

Isles attractive.

Your obedient servant,

IOHN COLVELLE

The Old Rectory,

Stratfield Saye,

Reading, Berkshire March 11.

Hand to hand

From Mr Esmond Wærner Sir. My father Sir Pelbam Warner (1873-1963) remembered vividity his father (1805-1886) telling him of the excitement of the news of Waterloo; and my father lived long enough to tell this to our daughters (born 1946 and 1950) who, one Hopes, will live to tell the tale well into the twenty-first century.

Never to be forgotten President Routh of Magdalen, nearly 100 in the 1850s, referred to "the late troubles"; he was speaking of "the glorious revolution" of 1688. I am, Sir, your obedient servent, ESMOND WARNER Lolwarth

Cambridge.

From Sir John Colville

Sin, I am not sure it is in the best of taste, even though I am a dedicated Hanoverian, for the Dean of St Paul's (March 11) to describe his historic chair, which witnessed the passage of Bonnie Prince Charlie, as a Cumberland Chair.

May I, however, register an entry in Bernard Levin's parlour game?
My brother has a winged chair
which my father, who was an excellent curpenter, made from an oak From Professor Gareth Morris Sir. The great pianist Edwin Fischer told me that he specially enjoyed playing the music of Bach because his grandfather (born 1749) "was alive with him". Yours faithfully. GARETH MORRIS. Canonbury, N1. March 10.

Everest high-fliers From Mr Martin Latham

Sir, Charles Warren (March 11) wonders how far up Everest choughs

might go. Somervell, who was on the expedition from which Mallory and Irvine never returned, tells in the expedi-tion account (The Fight for Everest: 1924) of these birds following him up to 27,000 ft with unnerving tenacity. Yours faithfully,

From Mr John Purker Sir. In answer to the query raised by Dr Charles Warren (March 11) whoopers, Cygnus cygnus) flying at over 27,000 feet over Scotland on December 9, 1967 (British Birds 71: 459-460 & 72: 238-239). The air remperature at the time was as low It would therefore seem, that given suitable weather conditions,

record of about 30 swans (probably

there is no reason why choughs and other soaring birds could not overfly Everest, since they expend less energy in flight than swans. Whether, in fact, they do so is another question. Yours faithfully, JOHN PARKER, The Hawk Trust, Loton Park,

Shropshire. I would refer him to the remarkable

Hawks v doves? From Lord Waldegrave

MARTIN LATHAM,

49 Scarsdale Villas, W8.

Sir. Mr Ronald Faux's article (March 12) about conflict between rock climbers and percerine falcons interested me greatly. During the last 40 years, he told us, the New York police had "moved on with gunfire" the falcons pesting on the St Regis Hotel because they

decimated " New York's pigeons. The pigeons which perch on the heads and shoulders of the thirteenth-century statues on the West Front of Wells Cathedral, and even nest in their helmets and baloes, have, by their droppings, been responsible for much of the damage done to these statues, which will cost us several million pounds to repair and conserve.

I wonder if the New York police are currently gunning down any more hotel-loving peregrines in New York and, if so, whether they would consider arresting them instead and extraditing them to Wells, Somerset,

England? Many Americans are now most generously subscribing to the West Front Appeal. Some might be willing to send falcons instead of dollars. The peregrines would not be disturbed on the West Front because the Dean and Chapter do not allow rock climbing there.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, WALDEGRAVE. President, Wells Cathedral West Front Appeal, Chewton House, Chewton Mendip, March 12

Lessons from Zimbabwe elections

From the Very Reverend C. A. Shaw Sir, Today's letter (March 12) from my friend the Bishop of Mashona-land does justice neither to reason nor to the facts. His argument i pears to be that an election is fair provided its results suit you. Otherwise it is the result of incimi-

This is to stand the electoral process on its head. The people of Rhodesia recorded their vote. The international community deemed it fair and free. If now the white populajust too bad. Certainly no doubt exists in anybody else's mind as to whom the people of Rhodesia think best able to lead their country. through the immediate years of independence.

The Bishop reflects unfortunately the prevailing white view. All is the fault of the British. It was a complaint I heard incessantly during my years there, it conveniently ignored the fact that it was they themselves who brought their house in rulus upon their heads—and by their own hands. The Unitateral Declaration of Independence was the original folly and a brutal civil war the costly consequence.

Rhodesia's task now surely is not recrimination but a national determination to unravel and expiate that unnecessary, tragic foolishness for which all races have paid so dearly. His comparison with Northern Ire-land is equally false and misleading. IRA terrorists have if enything

stiffened British will to refuse to be operced rather than the reverse. The third familiar stale untruth used persistently to frighten the whites into line is yet again repeated a Communist take-over. It was used to frighten the whites and it is now apparently being used to scare the country's black voters. If it is the Soviets the Bishop fears should he not be glad Mr Nkomo came only third? For Mr

Mugabe's bogevinan he should surely be looking further East? Incidentally, I do not think his Mashonas will enjoy being called rimid ' The Bishop's letter is an awful object-lesson on the effects UDI has had on white thinking. I note it was written on March 5. Perhaps, before rushing into print, it would have been wiser had he awaited Mr Mugabe's first broadcast and

aumouncement of his policy and Cabinet.

There are many more who instead of recrimination will want now to wish Zimbabwe well and desire to see Church and nation working for unity rather than division.

Yours faithfully, ALLAN SHAW, The Canon's House. March 12.

From Mr Miles Hudson

Sir. The almost universal euphoria that has followed Mr Mugabe's moderation in the wake of his overwhelming victory is yet another example of the wishful thinking which has bedevilled the Rhodesian scene for decades. At no stage has Mr Mugabe repudiated his Marxist beliefs, nor have any of his senior lieutenants. Of course it is in his interest to be moderate at this stage. Any other policy would lead to immediate disaster. His present posture is totally predictable; indeed he himself predicted it dur-

ing the election compaign.

The question at Issue is whether his current moderation is a tactical ploy in the eventual achievement of a Marxist state or whether he genuinely believes in a mixed economy for Zimbabwe. Sadly all the available evidence points to the

He may, indeed, change his mind when he sees the advantages of a measure of private enterprise or he may never be in the position of being able to move to a Marxist state without considerable economic and social disruption from which he may shrink. Those who think ne may snring. I nose who think that Marxism does not work, and most certainly will nor work in Africa will hope that one of these two situations will develop.

But Mr Mugabe's present shortterm attitudes have no relevance whatever to his long-term beliefs or those of his principal supporters. It is folly to imagine anything else -and we in Britain should be the lest to underestimate the depth of the continuing commitment to Communism which intelligent men feel when they submit themselves to that all-embracing creed. Yours faithfully. MILES HUDSON.

The Priors Farm. Hamoshire.

Gone for a soldier From Mr G. A. B. King

Sir, I am surprised that the letter from Lord Harding (March 12) is the only note of protest you have published to date following Monday night's BBC 2 broadcast of the programme Gone for a Soldier.

I have never served in his or her Majesty's forces and have no personal position to defend. As a citizen, however, I consider the programme to have been a travesty of the truth, an insult to professional and non-professional British soldiers living and dead and both offensive and subversive.

In despair I begin to wonder whether this nation deserves its sarvicamen. Yours faithfully,

G. A. B. KING, Carrick Lodge. 4 Russell Road, Moor Park, Northwood, Middlesex. March 12.

From Sir Robin Hooper Sir. Mr Philip Donnellan is entitled to his views on the British Army (review, March 10); the BBC is entitled to broadcast them; and the brigadiers and patriots are entitled to complain. In particular, it is not unreasonable for them to ask why it was decided to allot nearly two bours of peak viewing time to a programme which, with all respect to your reviewer this morning, and whatever its artistic merits, was brally partisan, totally politically committed, and a totally propagandist attack on the morale of those who are fighting and dying to hold the ring while the people of Northern Ireland try to work out an acceptable future. It must have given deep offence

not only to minorities holding cur-rently unfashionable views, but to much larger and more influential sections of opinion—notably to those who have served in the armed forces of the Crown and their relatives and to the Army itself. However, young men will still, no

doubt, so for a soldier; the Army will still survive; and its authorities will probably be wise to continue to leave it to others to comment on the way in which the makers of Gone for a Soldier have repaid them for the very full and generous cooperation which they were evidently

Yours faithfully, ROBIN HOOPER, Brook House, Egerton, Ashford, Kent.

From Miss K. M. Hewett Sir, As a soldier's daughter I should like to thank Field Marshall Lord Harding of Petherton for his letter to The Times (March 12). He has written that which many like myself fervently feel. I remember too well my own father's courage and Cheerfulness after wounds inflicted at Yores and on the Somme and who lived to suffer 51 years after 1918.

I also recall with deep gratitude those who gave their lives for their country. Yours pruly.

K. M. HEWETT, 24 Harris House, Rochester. March 12

Social security frauds

Fulham (Conservative) Sir, Mr Frank Field (March 6) attacks the Minister for Social Security for not answering the charges made against him by your Social Services Correspondent. As far as I understood her article, she called for convincing evidence that social security abuse was either wide-spread or, even assuming that it was, that it was necessary to take the measures the Minister had amounced, ie increase the number

From Mr Martin Stevens, MP, for

of social security inspectors by one thousand. Three weeks ago, DHSS officials carried out an investigation with the police at an Unemployment the police at an Unemployment Benefit Office in my constituency. They selected 137 people in a certain caregory and carried out checks. Of those selected 42 were suspected of cheating and 18 were later convicted of obtaining money

In many cases, claimants were not living at given addresses. In other cases they were using more rhan one address and claiming bene-fits from a number of different social security offices. Following those checks, a further thirty applican's failed to sign on the following week.

I am not suggesting that this small sample is conclusive proof that social security abuse is wide-spread. Merely, that it gives some

Hey-day of blades

From Mr John Washington Sir, Dr Tiffany (March 10) may not be aware of the current risks of carrying a penknife.

My-undeclared-pocket knife was discovered by the metal detector at Rome Airport, I was recalled to the irate officer, my knife confiscated and sent to London in a shoe box in the hold.

I find the thought of a low-budget hljacking armed with a 60mm penkuife quite refreshing. Yours faithfully. JOHN WASHINGTON, 2 High Street Sevenoaks, Kent.

credence to the belief held, rightly or wrongly, by many people that this is in fact the case. If we are to spend £3m on one thousand additional inspectors and they recover any substantial amounts by investigating abuses that, in my view, is money well spent.

This is so, not only because there is then more money in the kitty to spend on the genuine injustices and inconsistencies which appear to and inconstrencies which appear to abound under the present system of welfare benefits—and Mr Field knows that I have supported him on a number of occasions in the Social Security Bill Standing Committee on such matters—but also because it is a good thing in itself: cutting out abuse will restore confidence and respect in our welfare system because it will be seen that claim-ants cheating it will be caught and numished and that receipt of benefit does not depend on your ingenuity, but on genuine need.

I support the idea that we should

do more to encourage take-up. Further. I agree with Mr Field that abuse is not limited to the social security system. Other areas include tax evasion and indeed ticket frauds on public transport.

We should proceed vigorously against all such abuse. But simply cheat the system does not of itself deny the legitimacy of taking such artion in the field of social security. Yours.

M. STEVENS. House of Commons.

Chimbers' resting place

From Mrs Dulcibel Jenkins-McKenzie

Sir, I am grateful for Bernard Levin's article (March 6) on Mallory and Irvine.

My late husband John Jenkins and Nully Kretschmer have lain undisturbed within the depths of the Brenva face of Mont Blanc for some 30 years. The dismal thought that some enthusiast might interfere with their enviable resting place for what-spever "scientific" reason dismays

Yours faithfully, DULCIBEL JENKINS-McKENZIE, 89 Cornwall Gardens, SW7.



COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
March 13: The Duke of Edinburgh,
Patron and Trustee arrived at
Coventry Railway Station in the
Royal Train this morning to tour
the West Midlands in connexion
with His Royal Highness's Award
Scheme, and was received upon
arrival by Her Majesty's LordLieutenaut for the West Midlands
(the Earl of Aylestord).
Lord Rupert Nevill was in
attendance.
The Prince of Wales, attended

attendance.

The Prince of Wales, attended by Mr Oliver Everett, visited the Department of Industry, Ashdown House, Victoria Street, SW1, today.

His Royal Highness visited the Str Thomas Lawrence Exhibition at the National Portrait Gallery Agnex, Carlton House Terrace, SW1, this evening.

The Hon Edward Adeane was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
March 13: Princess Alice Duchess
of Glouce ter opened The
Rodolphe Stahl Thearre at Oundle
School this evening.
Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Lady Gurney will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Sloane Street, SW1, at noon on Wednes-day, March 26, 1980.

A memorial service for the Hon Michael Langhorne Astor will be held at St James's, Piccadilly, on Tuesday, March 18, at noon.

Birthdays today

Professor Sir Kenneth Alexander, 58; Mr Michael Caine, 47; Lord Cortwallis, 88; Mr P. J. Elton, 54; Mr R. E. Eurich, 77; Sir Richard Havward, 70; Dame Margaret Kidd, QC, 80; Sir Richard Marsh, 52; Major-General Sir Godwin Michelmore, 86; Sir Harold Shearman, 84 Marsh, 52; Major-Ge Godwin Michelmore, Harold Shearman, 84.

Keble College

The Warden and Fellows of Keble College, Oxford, have pleasure in inviting old members and their families to a garden party to be held on Saturday, May 31, 1980 (Eights Week). Admission will be by numbered ticket only and applications should be made to the domestic bursar as soon as

Today's engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh visit Leicestershire and the Queen opens extension to Leicester Royal Infirmary, 10.15. Exhibitions: The Vikings, British Museum, 10 to 5; Chinese court costume, Royal Scottish Museum, Ediphurgh, 10 to 5.
Talks: "Bacon's three flaures and

Talks; "Bacon's three figures and a portrait", by Mary Ellis, Tate Gallery, 1; "General tours; Gallery, 1; "General tours: Sumer and Babylon", by Kennerh Whitehorn, 11.30, and "How Greek sculptures were made", by Susan Woodford, 1.15, British Museum; Leonarde de Vinci cartooq—"The Virgin and Child with St Anne and St John the Baptist", by Paul Spencer-Longhurst, National Gallery, 1; "History and life at Childs Bank", by Betty Priestly. Christian Communications Childs Bank", by Betty Priestly, Christian Community, 34 Glenilia Road, Hampstead, 8. Lunchtime music: Organ recital by Jos Van der Kooy, St Paul's Cathedral, 12.30; Martin Elifot, baritone, and Robert Jones, plano, Central London Institute, 6 Bolt Court, 1.10; Chamber concert directed by Celia Bizony, Guildhall School of Music and Drama, 1.10; Singers' Work-shop, St Mary Woolnoth, 1.10; Song recital by Ann Stanford, soprano, St Martin-within-Lud-gate, 1.15.

Malvern College

Maivern College entrance scholarships and exhibitions for 1980 lave
beed swarded as follows;
Porch Monorial Scholarship: J. A.
Bercham, Dragon School, Oxford.
Major scholarships: S. A. Wilks,
Cathedral School, Landati, J. W.
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Kells, B. A. St. J. Penney, Packwood
Kuugh and Maivern Chiege, Exhibitions: P. R. Woodman, Birchfield
School, Albrighton, M. J. Young,
Eversfield and Maivern College, K. A.
Rickenson, Smallwood Manor and
Maivern College, O. E. B. Mander,
Arnold Lodge, Leamington Spa. D.
Plummar, The Downs School, Wrexall,
Major music scholarship: W. R. Daws,
Ripon Cathedral Chair School,
Music exhibitions: F. S. Acton, Si.
Michael's, Tenbury, C. H. J. Dyar,
Hillstone and Maivern College,
Music scholarship: J. T. T. Harl, Malvern
Collogo, Colloge.
Art scholarship: S. R. Neville. Halleybury Janior School.
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Emscote Lawn. Warwick. M. M.
Derrington. The Downs School.
Warwill.

Moreton Hall

The following scholarship awards Term, 1980:

Major scholarships: Dawn Garrard
Jones and Mary Jane Tremayne, both
of Arden School, Ruthin, Gaynor
Campbell, RAF Primary School,
Akrotiri, Cyrpus, Sarah Bovili, Junior
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High School, Shrewsbury,
Misser Scholarship; Kirsty Smith, St
George's Primary School, Shrewsbury.

Reception

Institution of Municipal Engineers
The Lord Mayor of Westminster,
Councillor R. W. Forrester,
attended a reception held by Mr
Dennis Clark, president, and the
council of the Institution of Municipal Engineers at 25 Eccleston
Square yesterday. Among those
present were members of her
Majesty's Government, members of
both Houses of Parliament, presidents and secretaries of kindred
professional institutions and representatives of local authority
associations.

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IRELAND IN THE EIGHTIES

raking place in muscle during the course of a single contraction; an achievement that would have been beyond their reach with less sophisticated X-ray sources.

The ream is led by Dr H. E. Huxley, whose life's work has been research on the mechanism of muscle contraction. He and his co-worker, Dr A. R. Faruqi, are based at the Laboratory for Molecular Biology in Cambridge. For the synchrotron experiments they collaborated with Dr J. Bordas, Dr M. H. J. Koch and Dr J. R. Milch at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory Outstained at DESY.

The X-ray beam was used to look at the contracting muscle by biologists from crystallographers. It is based on the principle that any regularly ordered structure will reflect X-rays in a structure will reflect X-rays in a sequentially making and breaking contact with the actin, the cross-order with the actin, the cross-order beautiful making and breaking contact with the actin, the cross-order with the actin, the cross-order beautiful making and breaking contact with the actin, the cross-order beautiful making and breaking contact with the actin, the cross-order belows in the chick filaments along the thinumer ones, increasing the extent of the thick filaments along the thinumer ones, increasing the extent of the midvidual cross-bridges tout by Huxley and is colleagues from the chick filaments along the thinumer ones, increasing the extent of the hindvidual cross-bridges tout by Huxley and is colleagues from the individual cross-bridges tout to be able to define with the use of the synchrontron X-ray sources. Other less powerful X-ray sources have been in use for many years have been in use for many years and individual cross-bridges tout to be able to define with the use of the synchrontron X-ray source. Other less powerful X-ray sources have been in use for many years and individual cross-bridges tout to be able to define with the use of the synchrontron On sale at selected branches of W. H. Smith or by order through all branches of Menies. Smiths and most newsprice 32p

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Mr J. A. C. Branson and Miss C. E. J. Campbell The engagement is announced be-The engagement is announced of-tween Jeremy, younger son of Commander Branson, RN (retd), and Mrs Elizabeth Allan, both of Kent, and Candace, daughter of Mr and Mrs Campbell of Craig-mish, of Pier House, Cheyne Walk, London, formerly of Hongkong.

Mr M. D. Craig and Miss P. M. Daniel The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr D. L. Craig, of Roccamare, Italy, and of the late Mrs E. M. Craig, and Patricla, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. W. F. Daniel, of Witham, Essex.

Mr T. M. Grosvenor and Miss K. J. M. Ramsay The engagement is announced between Toby, son of Mr and Mrs Roy Grosvenor, of Churchstow south Devon, and Katherine south Devon, and Katheriue, daughter of Mr and Mrs William Ramsay, of Greenwich, Con-necticut, United States.

Mr D. J. Hooke and Miss G. A. Bedford The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs E. V. Hooke, of Mow Cop. Staffordshire, and Ill, daughter of Major and Mrs J. F. Bedford, of

Dr G. H. Northridge and Miss A. J. Carbo and Miss A. J. Carbo

The engagement is announced between Guy, eldest son of the Venerable A. D. H. and Mrs Northridge, of Nicosia, Cyprus, and Amanda Jane, stepdaughter and daughter of Mr and Mrs D. G. Harris, of Summit, New Jersey.

Mr J. D. Paterson and Miss G. D. Dixon

and Miss G. D. Dixon

The engagement is announced between lames David, son of Mr and Mrs Hamish Paterson, of Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, and Gillian Dinah, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Giles E. Dixon, of Grasby, Lincolnshire, presently of Overland Park, Kansas.

Mr R. C. Pulman The engagement is announced between Robert Charles, younger son of the late F. George Pulman and of Mrs Diana Pulman, of Horsmonden, Kent, and Françoise Dominique, youngest daughter of Professeur and Mme André Fel, of Clermont-Ferrand, France.

and Miss C. Quirk
The engagement is announced between William, second son of Mr and Mrs D. B. Roseff, of Great Davids, Kingwood Common, Henlay-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, and Carleen, elder daughter of the late Mr Jim Quirk and of Mrs D. Quirk, of Cudgen, Tweed River, New South Wales, Australia.

Royal engagements

The following engagements for April have been announced from Buckingham Palace:

Buckingham Palace:
2: The Queen accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh will take Lord High Admiral's Divisions at Dartmouth. In the afternoon the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will visit Siapton Ley Field Centre. Torcross, Foliaton House, Totnes, and Forde House, Newton Abbot.

3: The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will be present at the Maundy Service in Worcester Cathedral, Her Majesty will distribute the Royal Maundy during the

8: The Queen, accompanied by

8: The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will open king Edward Court, Windsor. 16: The Duke of Edinburgh, as patron of the Outward Bound Trust, will attend a sponsored walk luncheon in aid of the trust at Grosvenor House, London.

Memorial service

Mr P. Hutber

Latest wills

Mr P. Hutber
The Prime Minister was represented by Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, at a memorial service for Mr Patrick Hutber which was held yesterday at St Bride's, Fleet Street. Prebendary Dewi Morgan officiated, The lesson was read by Mr Ivan Fallon and Sir James Goldsmith gave an address. Among those present were:

Among (mose present were:

Mrs Huiber (widow), Mr Christopher
Huiber (son), Miss Judith, Miss
Margarot 38d Miss Screphina Huiber
dauguters), Mrs D. Ellenberg and
Mrs I. Lorde (Sisters), Mr R. Bendall,
Mr and Mrs E. Poole, Mr Arthus Moore,
Viscount Camrobe, Lord Hartwell
chairman and editor-in-cutef. "The
Daily Telegraph" and "The Sunday
Telegraph" and Lady Rartwell, the
Hon Addian and Mrs. Serry, Mr John
Thompson (editor) The Sanday Telesraph"!, Mr George Evans (mahasing
editor), Mr Desmond Albrow (assistant
editor); Mr Desmond Albrow (assistant)
editor); Mr Michael Hogg (representing

Mrs Gertrude Winifred Viner, of

Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire, left £42.939 net. After bequests of

£1,950 and effects she left

the residuc equally between the Royal National Institute for the Blind and the Royal National In-stitute for the Dest:

Other estates include (net, before

tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Buckley, Mr Charles Walter, of
Kirkburton, near Huddersfield
£158,348

By the Staff of Nature

Intense X-ray beams generated by

the synchrotron DESY at Hamburg

have been used to follow changes

in the structure of muscle as it

in the structure of muscle as it contracts. The team of British and German scientists working on the experiment bope that the intense beams available from the synchrotron radiadon will enable them to solve the mystery of how two proteins interact to provide the motor force for everything that swims, walks or flies.

Their first experiments have enabled them to monitor the changes taking place in muscle during the course of a single contraction; an achievement that would have been

at Grosvenor House, London.

17: The Duke of Edinburgh Institution of Chartered Surveyors, will attend a meeting of the 1980 Tactics, Equipment and Logistics Conference at the Army Staff College, Camberley.

18: The Prince of Wales, chairman, the Royal Jubilee Trusts, the Home Office.

Newton Abbot.

Archbishop to fester closer Jewish links

By Our Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Robert Runcie, declared his commitment to harmonious community relations in Britain and specifically to foster-ing Jewish-Christian relations when he spoke at a lunch given by the Board of Deputies of British Jews yesterday.

He was particularly grateful, he said, for the warm support he had received from the Jewish community on his appointment. "In pursuing the quest of Christian unity, I have discovered the need to enlarge the canvass. This has been something very deep within me, something on which I intend to build.

"It is something that has come to me very much in my travels in the last year in the Middle East, particularly my time in Jerusalem, Israel, and Egypt. Jerusale mis something in my pulse now", Archbishop Runcie

Religious discrimination persecution were things on which no compromise was possible. He recalled that on his visits to the Soviet Union be had always taken the opportunity to raise the issue

HM Government
Mr Neil Marten, Minister for
Overseas Development, was host
at a luncheon held in honour of
M Robert Galley, Freuch Minister
for Cooperation, at Lancaster
House yesterday. Other guests
included:

included:

M. Chesneau. the French Ambassadur.

Index Bithard Line. Parliamentary.

Under Secretary of Store. Fortin and

Lady Mayoress

The Lord Mayor and the Lady

Mayoress entertained the following

guests at luncheon at the Mansion

House yesterday:

The Amyl General for Chiarin and Mos.

House yesterday:

The Agent General for Ontario and Mrs

Ross DeGeor. Mr George Chapman,

Mr and Mrs M. P. Goodson, Judge and

Mrs Derek Grunt, Captain and Mrs

D. Hodgson, the Master of the Platslovers' Company and Mrs T. D. Mott,

Mr K. D. Smith, Mr and Mrs Moth

Sowden and Mr and Mrs Michael Ward.

Middlesex County Association
The Middlesex County Association
beld a luncheon at Ealing Catering
College yesterday. The Hon Ewen
Montagu, QC, president, and Mr
Ronnid Politeyan, chairman, accompanied by Mrs Montagu and
Mrs Politeyan, welcomed the
guests. His Honour Alan KingHamilton, QC, was the guest
speaker.

will artend a meeting of the trust's administrative council at 8 Bucking-ham Street. Westminster. The Queen will attend a reception given

Queen will attend a reception given by the Royal Wessex Yeomanry at Badminton House.

21: Princess Anne will attend a publication parry for The Farrier and his Craft at Saddlers' Hafl. Gutter Lame, City; the Duke of Edinburgh, as a trustee, will attend a meeting of the trustees of the Prince Philip Trust Fund for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maldenhead in Windsor Guildhail.

21 to 23: The Prince of Wales will join a freezer trawler fishing off the north-west coast of Scot-

land.
26: The Prince of Wales will attend the annual dinner of the Golid of Newspaper Editors at the University Arms Hotel. Cambridge.
28: The Prince of Wales will visit the Home Office; the Duke of Edinburgh will attend the fifth meeting of the Standing Conference on Compresside Sports at the Royal

editor. "The Daily Telegraph") Me Andreas Whitten-Smith (cl)y editor. Mr Malcolm Williams and Mr International Mr Internation

editori, Me Samuol Brittan (assistant editori, Mr Samuol Brittan (assistant editori, Sir Trevor and Lady Dawson, Sir Anthony Surpoy; Mr Andony l'albers manasing director, Cavenham Communications) and Mrs Fathers, Mr Anthony Shrimdey teditor-in-chief, Now! Magazine), Mr Durek Rogers Impreting director, Mr Nichael Covuch manasing editori, Mr Nichael Covuch manasing editori, Mr Nichael Covuch manasing editori, Mr Sirtan Ethichen, Mr Robert Hargares Mr Britant Hitchen, Mr Robert Hargares Mr Britant Hitchen, Mr Robert Hargares Mr Britant Hitchen, Mr Robert Hargares Mr Britant Mr Mr Halm Millita "The Observer"), Mr Richard Milgor "The Sunday Times", Mr Christopher Eldes ("Dally Mail", Mrs Monica Dipock Aytesburg Volle Riding Chub; Mr G. Ramsden (University Coffees di Buckingham Appeali, Mr J. Mr Alam B. Martean Coonty and Co., Mr P. Glyma-Jones (Prudential Assurance Co)

Kellett, Mrs Helen Aone Bain, of £133,453

Science report

Biophysics: Secrets of muscles

pattern characteristic of the struc-ture. By a simple mathematical formula, X-ray crystallographers can deduce the structure from the

Muscle has a highly ordered structure based on two proceins, myosin and actin. The myosin is arranged in parallel arrays of thick filaments which partially overlap with parallel arrays of the thinner actin filaments. When the muscle contracts, short "arms" sticking out from the thick myosin filaments form transient cross-bridges between the myosin and and the actin filaments. By sequentially making and breaking contact with the actin, the cross-bridges are believed to pull the thick filaments along the thinner ones, increasing the extent of the overlap and shorteing the muscle.

Luncheons



The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev Robert Runcie, trying on a yarmulke given to him yesterday by Mr Greville Jamer, QC, MP, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

of Jewish rights with the authori-hand at his prayer stool, ties. In fact, the only places, where he had been no Jewish

Institute of Masters of Wine

The Institute of Masters of Wine

beld a dinner last night at Vint-uers' Hall, by permission of the Master and Wardens of the Vint-ners' Company, to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the institute. The guests included:

The Spanish Ambassator, the Varques of Perinal, the Peringuese Ambassator, Senher Jose 6 Pre'ins Craz, and the Vantar of the Vantar Company, it will be the Vantar of the Vantar of the Lind of the Li

The Prince of Wales was the guest of honour at a dinner given by

Dinners

synagogue services were Moscow, archbishop with a Jewish Hagada Lennigrad, and Kiev. prayer book on behalf of the Mr Greville Jenner, MP, president of the board, presented the bishop said it would be kept on

European Centre of Public

Enterprises (CEBP) The Chairman of the British Section of CEEP, Mr Norman Payne, (Chairman of the British Airports Authority) held a small dinner party last night on the occasion of the meeting in London of the chairman of CEEP national sections. These present included: tions. Those present included:

Georges Routseart (President no EEP) Avy Pietro Sette (Chairman Hu, Macques Prässier (Chairman SNGF), Dr. Paul, Bietes (Chairman SNGF), Dr. Paul, Bietes (Chairman Gows), M. Henri Neuman Chairman of SNI, Bengitzni, Watrick Walsh (Irish Betrifetty Soard), G. Lamberto Lambert (Secretary Graval of CEEP) and W. Robert Treiman Secretary, CEEP British section).

the Canada Club on Wednesday at the Savoy Hotel. The High Com-missioner for Canada was in the chair and the other speakers were Mr W. G. Buchanan, Sir Percy Rugg and Mr Tom Murray. The guests included: Indian Journalists' Association The annual Indian Republic Day dinner of the Indian Journalists' Association was held yesterday under the chairmanship of Dr Tarapada Bass, president, at the Counaught Rooms. The other speakers were the Paymaster General, Mr Peter Shore, Mr, Lord Avebury, the Acting High Com-The American Ambassador, the Com-monwealth Secretary-General; Viscount Amory, Lord Maclean, Lord Mancroft, Lord Adeane, Lord Midgery, Lord Norl-adean, Lord Buller of Saffron Maiden, Lord Safnetson, Lord Chal-lant, Sur Frank Roberts, Sir Hug-tont, Sur Frank Roberts, Sir Hug-Wonner, Mr Justice Stynn, Sir Denis

In a sale of ballet and theatre

material at Sotherby's a compara-tively slight caricsture of Diagh-

lev by Picasso in brush and green ink sold to an aponymous buyer for £14,000 (estimated £5,000 to £5,000), but the lot of which most.

as two, our the lot of which most, had been expected, a painting of darie. Taglione and her brother in La Suiphide by Georges Lepanile, failed to find a buyer.

a pre-sale estimate of £15.
A sale of prints held by Lawrence Floe Art of Crewkerne made
about £29,000, with 4 per cent

bought in.

Andrew Grant held a mixed sale

at Stourport, including a painting of a stagecoach by Charles Cooper Henderson, which had come from

the London flat of the Duke of Beaufort. It sold for £2.100.

Chess comedy of

to drawn game From Harry Golombek

Chess Correspondent Velden am Wörtherses,

errors leads

Audubon watercolour sells

for record £51,000

By Huon Malialicu

John James Audubon, who might well be called the Master

of the Birds, is an artist with a particular appeal to Americans, since one of his major publications was The Birds of America. In a sale of English watercolours at

Southeby's yesterday one of his English works, a study of finches on a budding chestnut branch painted in 1827 in Northumber-

land, was bought by Marony a dealer from New York, for a record £51,000 (estimate £9,000 to

record £51,000 (estimate £9,000 to £12,000).

The sale, which made a total of £344,970, with only 2 per cent failing to find buyers, also included two watercolours by Turner. A view of the port of Sidou, based on a sketch by another hand, went to Feigen, again from New York, at £1,000 (estimate £12,000 to £18,000), and "Arthington Mill", which had sold for £12,000 in 1978, reached only £11,000 on this occasion (estimate £12,000 to £16,000).

Two other watercolours did

£12,000 to £15,000).

Two other watercolours did particularly well, both being bought by English collectors: a view of Bamborough Castle by Thomas Girtin, which sold for £25,000 (estimate £15,000 to £25,000), and "The Destruction of Pompeli" by John Martin, which sold for £10,000 (estimate £10,000 to £15,000).

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Warwick Hotchings, aged 33,
a member of the New Zealand
Foreign Service, to be assistant
press secretary to the Queen with
special responsibility for the Prince
of Wales and the Duke of Edinburgh. He will succeed Mr John
Dauth, who will return to the Australian Department of Foreign
Affairs on August 1.

Mr Christopher Richard Hilliard to be a circuit judge, assigned to the South-eastern Circuit.

The National Callery's fourth

annual touring exhibition, featuring 22 French nineteenth-century paintings, starts next month. They

will be on show at:

Pertsmouth, April 4 to May 11: Nothingham, May 22 to June 14: Sloke-on,
Trent, Jame 23 to July 25: BoweStaseum, Sarmard Castle, Adjust 2 to
September 7: and back to the National
Callery, October 29 to November 30.

has been about one-hundredth of

a second (10 milliseconds). To catch the fine details of the con-

catch the fine details of the contractile process, biologists need to be able to monitor changes that take about three milliseconds.

The changes that occur in the muscle proteins during contraction cause a temporary disordering of the arrangement of the myosin cross-bridges. That can be seen in the X-ray pattern as a decrease in the intensity of the reflection that is due to the regular arrangement of the cross-bridges in relaxed muscle.

ment of the cross-bridges in relaxed muscle.

That decrease in intensity has now been seen by Dr Huxley and his colleagues in the course of a single muscle contraction. an observation that has been possible before only by averaging over several contractions.

Disappointingly, however, they have not yet managed to refine the X-ray equinment to enable them to monitor events in the millisecond range, Their achievement so far has been to show that it is in principle possible to use synchrotron radiation in such experiments. And unlike less sophisticated equipment, it can potentially be extended to detect events on a much smaller time-scale.

Source: Nature (March 13, 1980:

volume 284, page 140). C. Nature-Times News Service,

scale.

Paintings on tour

Legal

missioner for India and Mr V. R. Bhatt, vice-president. Others present included present included.

The High Commissioner for Mauritius and Lady Teslock, the Sortet Ambiesador, the Nepalese Ambassador, and Teslock and Les of the High Constitution of the High Constitution of the High Constitution of the High Constitution of High Constitution of High Constitution of High Constitution of Lictovet. Mr. Athur Bottomier, Mp. and Dame Bessie Bottomier, Sir Edward and Lady Pickering, Mrs. Mrsucker, Mrs. L. Singh, Mrs. V. R. Ebatt, Mrs. Ling and Mrs. V. R. Ebatt, Mrs. Ling and Mrs. The Bart. Dr. and Mrs. K. S. Shelvanker, Mr. Norman Attheson, Mp. and Mrs. Athurson, Mr. Julius Silvernan, Mp. Af sud Mrs. David Lane, Mr. String, Serb. And Mrs. David Lane, Mr. Sheh and Mrs. Mrs. L. Singh, Mrs. The Bart. Mrs. L. Shelvanker, Mr. Norman Attheson, Mp. and Mrs. Athurson, Mr. Julius Silvernan, Mp. Af sud Mrs. David Lane, Mr. Pran, Sheh and Mr. Skiney Bidwell, Mrs.

Anglo-Swiss Society

The Swiss Ambassador and Mme Caillat were the guests of honour at a dinner given by the Anglo-Swiss Society at the Savoy Hotel last night. Lord Sandford, who was accompanied by Lady Sandford, presided.

The President of the Law Society, Mr John Stebbings, the vice-president and the council gave a dinner yesterday in the Law Society's Hall for the Treasurer, Lord Elwyn-Jones and Masters of the Bench of Gray's Inn.

Brass band post for former Hallé player

From Our Correspondent Bradford

Bradford
A musicism who graduated from a
Salvation Army band in London
to the Hallé Orchestra, has been
appointed resident conductor, of
the Black Dyke Mills Band of
Ouensbury, West Yorkshire, the
present European and British brass
band champions, A costume design by Leon Balist for The Firebrid made £11,200 Sotheby's also held a sale of English and foreign silver and plate, which made a total of £63,824, with just over 8 per cent bought in

RAF officers graduate from Hendow Air Vice-Marshal H. Reed-Purvis.

Director General of Security (RAF) and Commandant of the RAF Regiment, was reviewing officer yesterday when 31 officers of 339 Course, Purple Squadron, graduated from the RAF Officer Cadet Training Unit, Reniow,

Hagate, aged Z., of the general duties pilot branch.

Those graduating were:
General duties branch: Pilot officers
R. C. Belley (P), Bertchansed Boys S.
R. C. Bennell (P), Sevenoiss S.
R. C. Berrett (P), Brockenhurst VI
Form C. D. McCambridge (P), Sonelaw
HS. Ruthergien, R. W. Carter (P),
Daverant Fos. Loughton, P. M. Blaste,
S. C. Heads Univ. A. F. Bunter,
BS. (P), Leeds Univ. A. F. Bunter,
G. E. Livings of Davids (P), Single Officers
S. Pilot officers S. C. Meade (P), Single
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S. Pilot officers S. C. Meade (P), Survey
Cotham GS. A. W. Wills (Nav),
Sussey Tutors, Brighton: Flying offiCrys G. Busk AEO), Pyrmpton GS.
P. S. Grees (Markins, Albans,
Cotrolly, Genaral duties (ground)! Pilot officers
S. M. Barcloy (WRAF) (AcC), Clermont Out Lady's S. C. E. Bourdon
(WRAF), BSc(Hons) (AcC), R. Goloway G. London, R. C. Davids (WRAF)
(AcC), Lessowes RS, Hajesoween, N. J.
Gordon (C), Wyners GS, A. J. Jaffs,
BSc(Hone), (FC), Keele Univ, A.
Cornsid (WRAF), MA (Smp), Aberdeen Univ, C. E. Green (WRAF),
There' (WRAF) (Suop), Purious HS, V.
Cothansford (C), HS; Flying officers G. S. Cave, BS; Highs officers G. S. Cave, BS; Highs officers G. S. Cave, BS; Highs officers G. S. Cave, BS; Higher (Darry),
Flying, Officers (WRAF), Physiology, Physiology,

Resignation

Liverpool University Air Squadron Liverpool University Air Squadron
Liverpool University Air Squadron
held their annual dinner in the
Officers' Mess.: Altear, yesterday.
The guest of honour was the Lord
Lieumenant of Merseyside. Other
guests included Professor. J. F.
Nochury, Pro-Vic Chanceltor of
Liverpool University, and Air
Commodore E. G. P. Jeffrey,
Squadron Leader J. M. Boggart,
officer cummanding, presided.

25 verrs ago From The Times of Tuesday, March 15, 1955 Coal rations

On his forty-third move when he seemed to be in a commanding position Korchnoi committed a blunder that lost a piece. Taking his courage in both hands, he chose the line that gave him most counterplay and indeed that turned out to be his saving grace. Petrosian in turn made a mistake on his forty-fifth move and after 51 moves Korchnof, through me, proposed a draw, which Petrosian at once accepted.

It is clear that both players are suffering from nerves and no doubt they will soon settle down to produce the great chess of which they are known to be capable.

Service dinner

The long cold winter has shown that the domestic coal ration is not adequate to meet such conditions and although the Minister of Fuel and Power cannot change the retien at this time he has advised or I merchants and departmental officials of the need for a certain element of common sense in trede in dealing with cases of hardthip. Mr Geoffrey Lloyd rerealed this in the House of Com-

Meanwhile the score is level:
Korchnol one and a half, Petrowill be played on Saturday. The Rev R. W. Singleton, vicer of St Smon and St Inde, Aprield, diocest of Liverpool (March 51) Episcopal Church in Scotland Episcopal Church in Scottand
The Rey D. C. Codie; Rector of
St Aldan's, Clariston, to be a Canon
or St Mary's Chinhedral, Claignes,
The Rey J. H. J. War Lead. Rector
of St Androw's, Fort William, teror
of St Androw's, Fort William, teror
at Canon of St John's Chinedral. Open.
The Rey E. Williams, homeratic
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sea. He said that house coal stocks throughout the consuty were about the normal level at this time of the year, and in London they were higher than for six years. For many weeks merchants had been making special efforts, to deliver coal at a maximum rate, but orders inevitably accumulated after a long small of cold weather.

Mr David Lonkes, aged 33, senior lecturer in band studies at Salford College of Technology, will succeed Mr Michael Antrobus on April 1.

plate, which made a total of 163,824, with just over 8 per cent bought in.

At Christie's a sale of English furniture produced a total of 162,043, with 7 per cent bought in.

Phillips. sold embroideries, costumes, textiles and lace, The owner of an eighteenth-century. Milanese lace collar, which with a cap and fragment of Alechin lace, made £4,000, should be celebrating, since the lot had carried a pre-calle estimate of £15.

Cadet Training Unit, Hemow, Bedfordshire.

The sash of menit was presented to Pilot Officer Catherine Green, aged 20, of the secretarial branch. The professional studies prise was awarded to Pilot Officer Peter Higate, aged 22, of the general duties pilot branch. Velden am Wörthersee,
March 13
After the postponement by Tigran
Petrosian of the fourth game yesterday in the quarter final
conto distribution of the adjourned to
finishing off the adjourned third
game from Tuesday.

The game had been adjourned
o nthe forty-first move in a position that was favourable to
Korchnol but in which there were
many complexities and unchear
tines. But when the game was resumed today it turned out to be
a comedy of errors.
On his forty-third move when
he seemed to be in a command-

han, P. Earley (Marine). Piranuch Pois. Key: P. pilot: Ney priviator: Act. abcrast control! FC. Hahler control: Sec. socretarial: Educ. sideration: Som-sucost: AEO, sir electronics: ALM, air load master.

Church news ...

mons resterday when replying to questions about the shortage of coal supplies in Oldham and Batter-sea. He said that house coal stocks

after a long spell of cold weather. He knew merchants would do their best to deal with arrears as quickly as possible, and for that burpose he had arranged for them to receive additional supplies during the next few weeks.

OBITUARY

SIR WILLIAM MALLALIEU Former Labour minister

poblished another book a titled Very Ordinary Seamon which he embodied some of t

own war-time experiences, cluding a graphic descript

of naval escort work with t

Arctic convoys to Russia, was an attractive writer

was an attractive writer those who recall his journal will recall; he wrote with an perception and humour and rugby football.

When the war ended he in part in the general election 1945 and the handsome you navel lieutenant was election.

Labour MP for Hudderstie

where he unseated Sir Will.
Mabane, a National Liberal a
ex-Minister who had heldseat for 14 years. During 1

first post-war Parliament Mallalieu was Parliament Private Secretary to the 1 John Strackey, who was Misse of Food. At the general elect of 1950, by which time Huddfield had been divided the property of the

two consuitencies, he was elected for Bast Hudderst and he had held that seaf in the general election of 1979.

had announced two years ear

that he would not be stand, again. During the years that

Labour Party were in Distinct, when he also bed

sition, when he also beek known as a broading Mallalieu was often in my with the Party whips dissident activities but was such a likeable person the usually attracted lenience. When Mr Harold Will formed his first Labour Gowment in 1964 Mallalieu obtainolitical preferment for

political preferment for first time. He was appoint Parliamentary Under Secret of State for Defence (Navy

post which was very much his taste. He held this of for a little over a year during that time he vis British bases in the Med

making a very thorough exa-ation of the married qua-provided for servicemen.

provided for servicemen.

In February 1966, after Christopher Mayhew had signed the post following controversy about the future aircraft carriers Mallalieu appointed to succeed him Minister of Defence (Navy was a pleasing promotion one whose association with Navy had begun as an ordiseaman in a destroyer in time and he was justiful proud of the achievement. It too, was to be a short in

too, was to be a short is bency but Mallalieu opened

Navy's Polaria school at Fax

in July and made an autour to Singapore and H kong. When Mr Wilson in Government changes in Jan-1967 Mallalieu was moved (

the Ministry of Defence become Minister of State at.

appointed Minister of S. Ministry of Technology, succession to Mr John St. house who had been z

He was married in 194. Harrist Tim and had one

Sir William Mallatieu, formerly Mr J. P. W. Mallatieu, MP. Minister of State at the Board of Trade 1967-68 and formerly Minister of Defence (Navy) and Minister of State, Ministry of Technology, died yesterday at the age of 71. He was knighted in 1979.

He had been a Labour MP, first for Huddersfield and afterwards for East Huddersfield, from 1945 until the last General Ricction at which he did not stand.

stand.

A former President of the Oxford Union he had the paternal felicity in 1967 of seeing his daughter, Miss Ann Mallalieu, of Newnham College, elected the first woman President had been To mark this elected the first woman President of the Union. To mark this notable event Miss Mallalieu, who was reading law, was corrtained at a luncheon party at the House of Commons which was attended by 13 ex-Presidents of the Oxford and Cambridge of the Oxford an bridge Unions, of all political parties, with the Lord Chancel-lor in the chair and the Arch-bishop of Canterbury among the speakers. This was a tribute both to the daughter's distinc-tion and to the general esteem in which her father was held at

Westminster John Percival William Malla John Percival William Malla-lieu was a recruit to the Labour Party from a well-known York-shire Liberal family. He was the third son of F. W. Malla-lieu of Delph, win once repre-sented Coin Velley in Parlia-ment as a Coshison Laberal and was a distinguished member and committee chairman of the west Rading County Council,
His elder brother was Sir
Lance: Mallalieu, formerly Mr
E. L. Mallalieu, OC, Labour MP
for Brigg from 1948 to 1974. He

for Brigg from 1948 to 1974. He died last November.
The younger Mallalieu was born on June 18, 1908. From the Dragon School, Oxford he went to Cheltenham College, Oxford, where he was a Rugby-Blue and President of the Union in 1930. On leaving Oxford he went on a Commonwealth Fellowship to Chicage University for two years. University for two years.
Mallalieu was attracted to
journalism and for some years
after his return from the after his return from the United States he worked on national newspapers in London. In 1936 he was adopted as prospective Labour candidate for Huddersfield. During the Second World War he served in the Royal Navy, first as an ordinary seamen and later with the rank of lieutenant. In 1942 he published a book entitled Passed to You, Please in which he dealt lightheartedly with what he called "Britain's Red-Tape Machine at War". There was an introduction by Harold Laski and the author's leftwing views were so pronounced in his suggestions for civil service reform that a Times reviewer stigmatised this part reviewer stigmatised this part of the book as "a conventional Marxist tract".

Two years later Mallalieu and one daughter.

MISS MARGARET EDEN Miss Margaret Eden, O.B.E., hard for survival in their

Postmaster-General.

Originally trained as a teacher, she changed to social ence and innate modesty. Mise Eden's main into work and, at the London School of Economics in 1935, became one of the first students to quality as a psychiatric social worker. In 1938 she joined the staff of the Bethlem Royal and the Maudsley Hospitals and worked in the children's department. worked in the children's department. From 1948 to 1954 she was head social worker at University College Hospital but was urged to return to the foint hospital in 1954 and was head social worker there until her retirement in 1974. It was no easy task to set up and develop a department in the

SIR ROLAND SYMONETTE

1955.

A financier with controlling intrests in shippards and land development, Symonette was, with Sir Stafford Sands, a leader of the so-called "Bay Street Boys" who opened up ment in tourism and created the conditions for the establishment of gambling casinos. This phase of the islands' develop-ment led to the economy's almost complete dependence on American tourism. It also attracted criticism both in the black population considered it was not getting a representative

MRS LILLIAN NGOYI

Mrs Lillian Ngoyi, a leading black African nationalist known as the "Mother of the Black Resistance", died at her home in Soweto, South Africa, on March 12. She was 68.

She had been a "banned person" for the past 16 years, which meant that her movements and personal contacts were restricted and she could not be quoted by newspapers. She was also one of the first people to be held under the 90-day detention law, and spent 71 days in prison without charge or trial in 1963.

Mrs Ngoyi was President of the Women's League of the African National Congress before it was banned twenty years ago. On August 9, 1956, she led 20,000 women to the Pretoria office of the then Prime Minister, J. G. Strijdom, to protest against the extension to women of the "pass laws" which control the movement of blacks. trol the movement of blacks.

Mr Arthur Davies Jones, High Sheriff of Carmarthenshire, 1941-42, died on March 7.

renowned for her contribution to social work education training and practice, died in St. Christophers Hospice on February 13, at the age of 73.

many years she was chair of the training committee the Association of Psychir Social Workers. It was me for her contribution in this i that she was made 0.B.E. 1968. In 1971 she was appoin a Sensor Clinical Tutor in Institute of Psychiatry. worked with such distinguist psychiatrists as Professor Aubrey Lewis and, kiner, I essor Sir Denis Hill to wishe was a waked collea. Her friends in all professor straightful to the friends of the resident Theorem the resident of the resid develop a department in the years when social work was struggling for recognition and when disciplines other than medicine were having to fight were legion. They and the medicine in the patients for whom she countringly but realistically, mount her passing but feel richer for having known her

other newspapers, commer unfavourably on the extent the operations of American

racketeers in the islai

gambling concessions.

These factors contributed

Symonette's United Bahan Party suffering severely in elections of 1967 at the ha

of the Negro based Progress Party led by Lynden Pindl who succeeded him as Pren and was later to become

Bahamas' first Prime Minis after independence in Britain in 1973.

Symonette resigned his in the Bahamas Parliam three years ago but continu

to be politically active beh

Sir Roland Symonette, who was Premier of the Bahamas and in the United States who the united States who was the age of S1. He had been Leader of the Government unfavourably on the external comments of the c in the House of Assembly from

the Bahamas to foreign invest-Bahamas where the majority

the scenes. He had knighted in 1959.

MR G. G. HEALEY Mr Giles Greville Healey. Big Sur, California, died.; February 29, ar Bignor, Sass He was 78. He was born on March.
1901 in New York Cl
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and received his degree.
Chemistry from Yale Univ.

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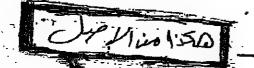
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Prime rates top 18 pc on eve of anti-inflation measures

By Caroline Ackinson and Frank Vogl

American interest rates spiralled higher yesterdey ahead of President Carter's anti-infla-tion package to be unveiled in Washington this afternoon. Chase Manhatten amounced a point rise in its prime rate to
184 per cent. This is the first
time that one of the large
United States banks has pushed its prime rate to this level. Some other banks followed suit

some other backs followed suit immediately.

The dollar jumped against all mean currencies in foreign exchange markets, and the gold price fell by \$32 an ounce to its lowest closing level since the curo of the year. Eurodollar rates were also sharply higher vesterday.

resterday. Financial markets were anticipating President Carter's pro-mised anti-inflation package to be announced today. A further rise in United States interest rates may be part of the packege. The dollar was buoyed by
dealers' expectations of yet
higher returns on money held
in the United States.

However, President Carter's successive delays in announcing his new package have led to growing feers in New York that it will fall fer short of what is

necessary to bear inflation.
He had insavertently started a war of nerves on Wall Street as time and again the White House aumounced that it was still not ready to unwell new artifulation included. anti-inflation policies. Mounting expectation of inadequate new policies, is a factor influencing the downward

third week Many bankers and brokers on Walf Street feel that the length of this process is a worrying illustration of the lack of firm national leadership and of President Carter's mability to reach decisions.

Yesterday the Deutsche mark closed down against the dollar at DM 1.821, its lowest level since last autumn, and the Swiss franc was down at 5w fr 1.74325.

Sterling dropped by over a cent vesterday to close at \$2,223, and was 0.3 points lower on its eferctive index at 722 per cent of its end 1971 value. Gold ended the day at \$555.5 an ounce. Dealers reported fairly heavy selling from America. Speculators are now being deterred from holding

gold by the very attractive in-terest rates available in dollars and other currencies.
Wallace Jackson writes: The downward trend in the gold price yesterday helped to send the prices of platfaumt, silver, copper and the down sharply. The free market price of platfaum at the afternoon fla-was E344.15 (\$765) per troy ounce which was E58.55 (\$135) down on Wednesday.
At the silver bulion flains

At the silver bution fixing the spot price dropped 113.950 per troy ounce to 1,212.650 and the three-month quote was 113.60p down at 1,254.50p. These were the lowest levels since December, 1979.

On the London Metal Exchange the price of copper cash wire bars dropped £69.50 to £1,005.50 per tonne and three-month future were £76.75 down at £1,019.75. Stan

three-month future were E76.75 down at £1,019.75. Stan trend of share prices . £76.75 down at £1,019.75. Stan-The so-celled urgent and dard cash tin dropped by inflation policy review under taken by the White House is months was £302.50 down now coming to the end of its Commodities, page 25

Go-ahead for Bonn plan to relax controls

Brussels, March 13 to ence
Foreigners will be able to funds.
Invest in West German fixed
Interest accurities of two years
Itie and more freez next Montoday day, following approval today by the Federal Bank's central council in Frankfurt of Bonn Finance Ministry plans to libimport controls.

In a brief statement, the bank said a meeting of the council had agreed with Boun that the minimum period to maturity of securities to be sold to non residents should be cut from four to two years.

From the beginning of next week, the Federal Bank will

automatically approve applicarlons, from investors abroad who wish to purchase government paper of more than two years life and a corresponding change will be made to the gentlemen's agreement with the German banks that has restricted up to sow the sale of other promissory note loans to foreigners.

The Federal Bank statement made only passing reference to the change in economic con-

to encourage inflows of toreign

But the bank's latest weekly return that was also published today disclosed that there had been a DM3,000m drop to DM79,200m in Germany's net monetary reserves in the first week of March.

serves have declined by some DM9,700m since the beginning of this year, largely as a result of Federal Bank elforts to sup-port the mark through sales of

dollars.
It is thought that the bank's total reserve losses this year could be even higher—at least in the order of DM15,000m—as the Federal Bank has been en-gaging in foreign exchange swap banks to ensure that they are not starged of liquidity through the dollar sales.

The Federal Bank did not take any decisions on credit policy at its meeting today. It is felt in Frankfurt that official German interest rates are ouita high enough since the increase two weeks ago in bank rate to 7 per cent and Lombard rate to 8.5 per cent.

Row brewing over state chiefs' pay as worries on differentials emerge

By Peter Hill Industrial Edutor

The Government faces an other embarcassing cow with State industry chiefs over salary levels of chairmen and board members of public sector corporations are scheduled to here their salaries raised next month; when the Government implements the third tranche or controversial increases agreed by the Labour government in 1978 following recommendations made by the Review Body

on Top Salaries. Over the past few months the Review Body, under the chair-manship of Lord Boyle of Handsworth, has carried out a further survey which is expec-ted to be submitted to Mrs Thatcher by late spring. State industry chiefs are

concerned that the problems of compression of differentials and overlap between board mem-ber's salaries and those of corporation executives are sur-facing again. They are anxious to avoid a repetition of the difficulties which arose as a

result, of incomes policy and September. No successor has inflation in the pest.

With inflation approaching
When cent and with high salaGavernment has ries being paid in the private sector the nationalized industry chairmen and board members

are worried that they could again fall out of line and ccente serious anomalies and inhibit promotion and recruit-Cabinet ministers will be anxious to avoid giving any impression of boosting salaries in the public sector in view of the Government's insistence that

wage claims should be modera-ted. But the Cabiner is also conscious of the great difficulty of securing people of the right calibre to run the major State corporations because of the relatively poor salary levals compared to those in the private sector for similar posts. The embarrassment has stem-

med from the difficulties in finding a successor to Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of the embattled British Steel Corparation who is due to retire in

After months of searching the Government has still to find a replacement for Adiairal Sir-Anthony Griffin, chairmen of British Shipbailders who was due to retire later this month. He has agreed to stoy on for a further three months while the search for a new chairman con-

ing whether the final tranche of the 1978 Borle recommended increases should be repeat up to take account of inflation. Among State industry chairmen there is a growing feeling that some further adjustment will be necessary not only this year but in the future if salaries are net to slip out of line. Under the original Soyle re-

were increased substantially with the chairman of the Eviusa National Oil Corporation being raised to \$50,000, with new rates

National Enterprise Board.

A now level of 240.00 was set for the chairman of Eritish Gas, the National Cool Ected and others, with a lower calling pany this year to call on its of 228 000 being set for the shareholders for money. The

chairmen of smaller state industries. The Labour Government agreed to the recomme taction but phased their payment over three sears. in its report, the Review Sop share price. The shares Body seld that it did not believe that sateries in the state industries should equal the highest should equal the highest should equal the highest should equal the highest believe in the annual dividend to Sop a share gross.

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is was vital for them to be suf-finently attractive to recruit was maning its second rights. and retain the necessary ability. | Latest developments on szlarios are expected to be distussed toda, it the annual meet-ing of the Nor challed indus-tries Chalmon's Group. The meeting will see the elemation to chairmanship of the group of Sir William Parlow, Post Office commendations the salaries of chairmen and board members

Over the past two years, United has spent £103m on investment and a further £1.5m on acquisitions in the inited States and the fastfoods business in this country, and it plans a £100m re-investment programme over the next five years. This has pushed up, loads from £49.7m 49 £78.2m chairman, who succeeds Sir Frank Tambs, chairman of the over the past year. There has been a dearth of

rights issues, apart from a few small ones in the oils sector, since last December's 550m issue from Pilkington Brothers,

which met a poor reception from the stock market.
United also announced its 1979 profits which were better 1979 profits which were better that the group had forecast at the half-way stage. Pretax in roll of the half-way stage. Pretax in 12 per cent sales increase to 1791m.

After the first half downturn, caused mainly by the road haulage strike, profits were one-sixth higher in the verned six months despite the

second six months despite the adverse effect of higher VAT on 40 per cent of its products. The group has reduced its heavy losses in Spain from \$1.3m to only \$100,000 although the drive into the United States. after the Keebler and Speciality Brands acquisitions has pushed up currency losses to

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Sonn orders higher

The seasonally adjusted order inflow to the West German manufacturing industry rose 3.3 per cent in January from De-cember, and climbed 12.7 per cent from January, 1979, accord-ing to preliminary figures released by the economics minis-

Pension fund managers 'mystified by suspension By Alison Mitchell

The mystery over the suspen-sion of two senior investment managers at the £1,000m Elec-tricity Council pension funds grew yesterday as both men denied that they know of any

reason for the move.
According to the Electricity
Council, Mr Alan Urwin, investment manager of the pension funds and Mr William Lund, his deputy, are fully aware of inhar happened. Suggestions that the two men

were suspended orally for reasons which they do not reasons which they do not not understand were dismissed by the council. In fact, they were suspended formally by a letter after a series of interviews. These interviews discussed the events which led to the suspensions so Mr Urwin and Mr Lund are fully aware of the circumstances", the council

said. Mr Urwin denied last night that this was the case. "I don't know why I've been suspended and there was certainly no series of interviews", he added. The council said that investigations were continuing and it

rould make no furmer com-It is understood that the uspensions on March 3 suspensions on followed an internal inquiry into a property deal.

Both Mr Urwin and Mr Lund

have also resigned from the board of Vestmoreland Investments, a private property company, which was taken over by the Electricity Supply Super-annuation Schames in 1978. Mr Lund, who is a member of the National and Local Covernment Offices (Nalgo) has taken the matter to his union which is looking into the affair.

The Electricity Supply (Industrial Staff) Superannation

Scheme and the Electricity Supply (Staff) Superannuation Scheme control between them more than -£1,000m of investments on behalf of 140,000 contributors and 45,000 pension-

Davignon talks fail to end threat of US legal action on steel dumping accept that they should operate two types of protection—a

Strasbourg, March 13

Viscount Etienne Davignon, the EEC Commissioner for industrial affairs, has returned from emergency talks in Washington on trade relations with America resigned to the near certainty that the United States Steel Corporation will file an anti-dumping suit against steel

imports from the community.

While accepting that American steel companies would be perfectly within their rights to take legal action. Viscount Davignon impressed on Americen officials that it was essential to avoid an avalanche of such suits, which could lead to a dangerous situation.

Commission officials estimate that if United States Steel's suit were successful-and the company would have to prove not only that there had been dump-ing but that it had caused material injury-about 40 per cept of EEC steel exports to America could be hit. This could mean losses of up to \$1,000m (£450m) for Europe's steel makers.

Davignon

Davignon

Capital spending by the chemicals industry in the United Kingdom will fall in real terms by about 30 per cent

over the next three years, according to a survey of invest-

ment intentions published yes-

It suggests that by 1982

expenditure will have risen to £1,232m, against a total of

replacement plant in 1979. Inflation will substantially

reduce the buying-power of this

The survey, carried out by the Chemical Industries Asso-

riation, highlights a significant

spent on new

By John Huxley

£1.090m

Chemicals investment

facing real fall of 30 pc

trigger price mechanism to con-trol cheep imports and then, if that failed, auti-dumping action. He said the EEC had agreed to America's trigger price system on condition that it removed the anti-dumping threat. The American problem appears to be that the trigger

prices, based on those prevailing in Japan, have dropped because of the recent depreciation of the yen and thus, arguably, no longer provide an effective barrier to cheap im-ports. This was, however, disputed by Viscount Davignon. He said it was nouseuse to

claim the trigger prices had not protected the American steel industry. In 1978 the United States had imported seven million tons of EEC steel. Last year imports were down to 5.4 million tons. This was a con-siderable reduction, he said. Viscount Davignon was un-

able to give the Americans any assurance that there would not be further EEC action to limit Viscount Davignon told imports of American symmetric American officials he could not fibres. Import quotas have imports of American synthetic



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aiready heen introduced he Britain, this EEC approval, and similar curbs may be imposed by Italy and France.

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US pledges \$300m aid this year for Turkey

The United States has agreed to step up the level of its financial aid to Turkey this year by 50 per cent to \$300m, according to Mr Turgut Ozal who, as undersecretary to the Turkish Prime Minister, is responsible for coordinating economic policy. economic policy. Mr Ozai, who has been in

Brussels for talks with the European Commission and the Emporean Commission and the Beigian Government, said he hoped the West German Government would now grant more that this amount as its share of the western financial and package being drawn up for his country lander the suspices of the Commission for Economic the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

The news that the United States has agreed to a substantial increase in its financial assistance removes one of the programme, returned to Bonn last week from Washington without the hoped for assurances that the United States would go beyond last year's total of \$200m of financial aid for Trickers.

in Paris on March 20.

Mr Ozal said he thought Turkey would be able to cover its expected \$4,000m current account balance of payments deficit this year.

rest of his fellow directors.

As a result of an agreement revealed last night. Mr Ran-

dolph, 55, is to withdraw his

legal action claiming wrongful

Mr Denys Randolph, the Also, the company has agreed dismissed chairman of Wilkin to pay the legal costs and to son March; has agreed to end pay, at hir Randolph's request, and fight with the \$50,000 into welfare funds for the company

ment aid, his country would be receiving funds from the International Monetary Fund and \$550m of project linked credits from the World Bank. He said the assistance being raised for Turkey, together with the Government's policy of reforming the economy on a free market basis, should lead an improvement in its

shift in the regional distribu-tion of future investment in favour of Scotland, where the share of total investment will tise over the next three years from 10 to 26 per cent. In Eng-land it will fall from 84 to 68 per cent. The proportion invested in development and special development areas will remain at around 70 per cent. The figures relate to the location of plant, not to where orders for equipment will be placed. However, they reflect the shift away from traditional areas of chemicals concentra-tion such as the North-west and Midlands, where share of investment to 1982 is likely to fall by 8 per cent to 28 per cent, and the North-east and

Mr Bernard White, chairman of the association's economics committee, said that the shift was largely the result of Scotpromised by London as part of land's advantageous position relast year's \$960m OECD aid lating to feedstocks from North programme has still to be paid. Sea oil fields. In addition, some

beary areas of concentration in the United Kingdom, such as Teesside, had reached the limits of their expansion. These were more important

rion of future investment than the bad industrial relations and productivity record of construction teams in areas like Tees-

In the past, this has been blamed for the long delay and large cost esculation on several pewochemicals reojects. The ICI/British Petroleum joint van ture Olefins 6 cracker at Wil-ton, was more than two years late, and its cost doubled in construction to more than £200m.

Dr Ted Luxon, chairman of CIA's Scottish committee, said in Glasgow that about £749m would be spent in Scorland over the next three years. Chemicals was not a large direct employer of labour, but he said that increased investment would protion and support industries.

In the past, the chemicals in-lustry has been one of Sritain's success stories, It dustry has been one of Britain's success stories. It accounts for 90 per cent of the trade surplus in manufactured goods and is the biggest single investor in British industry.

Prospects for the industry are poor, with the large companies predicting no growth in output in the immediate future. Despite this, the CIA survey suggests that the industry is in-creasing capacity (55 per cent of planned investment represents new, as opposed replacement plant, or energy conservation measures!.

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Trade events March-June 1980

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the planned OECD package.

Herr Hans Matthöfer, the
West German Finance Minister,
who has been charged with mustering support for the aid

for Turkey.

Although Mr Ozal refused to forecast the size of the planned aid programme, hopes are now strong that western nations will pledge between \$1,200m and \$1,400m worth of credit on concessional terms on Turkey at a conference due to be held

balance of payments position

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Air. Randolph was ousted in a

boardroom coup at Wilkinson last September after refusing to accept a £210,000 compen-

sation payment to leave quietly.

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44 per cent owned by the United States Allegheny Lud-

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But he gave a warning that it would take four to five years of effort and adherence to government policies to get a self-sustaining economic deve-lopment in Turkey.

Mr Ozal said he hoped Britain would be able to increase its financial assistance to Tur-

Humberside, where share of investment is also expected 2 fall by 8 per cent to 26 per key this year. The \$34.2m promised by London as part of last year's \$960m OECD aid

Wilkinson puts out its blazing boardroom row

£50,000 for welfare funds and 'honorary' job for dismissed chairman

he saw as the style and direction the group was taking as a result of Aliegheny's involve-

In December, Wilkinson shocked the City with news of a fall in its interim profits from £9.27m to £4.79m, It

Although at the forefront of lighters because higher VAT that deal, Mr Randolph later and lower cigarette sales. became disillusioned with what

After his sacking, he said he was staying on as a director to "protect my reputation", add-ing: "I am afraid I would be blamed for what is to come".

blamed its troubles on prob-lems in the markets for razors and sunglasses as well as pour demand for matches and

The rest of the board, here ever, have claimed that the row did not reflect differences over policy but was a clash of personality and style". Last night Mr Christapher Lewington, managing director of Wilkinson, said that Mr

Randolph's post at Wilkinson Sword would be "purely hon-orary" and that his salary as a consultant would be "modest by today's standards". Mr Lewington added that Mr Randolph's consultancy duties would possibly include work of a public relations nature".

Richard Allen

Alfa-Nissan deal a 'disaster'

A joint manufacturing deal being negotiated between the Italian state-owned Alfa Romeo and Nissan, of Japan, would be "a disaster" Signor Umberto Agnelli, managing director of Fiar, said in Rome yesterday after appearing before a govern-ment commission examining the problems of the Italian car

industry. The agreement, which still has to be approved by the Italian government, is believed to involve production of about 60,000 units a year of a new model in the one-litre range, for which Alfa would provide the engine and transmission, and Nissan the bodywork. Fiat has made Alfa a counter offer, but Signor Agnelli said Alfa's reaction was "negative".

Swiss jobless down

The number of unemployed in Switzerland declined to 8,644 at the end of February from 11,371 at the end of January and 14,239 in February last year, equal to 0.3 per cent of the working population

Soviet steel imports Japanese steel makers will export a total of 100,000 tonnes of seamless pipes to the Soviet Union in the first half of fiscal 1980 beginning in April.

Joint nuclear pact

China Light and Power and Guangdong Electric bave reached tentative agreement to discuss the feasibility of a joint nuclear power plant to supply both Guangdong province and Hongkong with electricity.

Tokyo tariff cuts

The Japanese government will start to discuss soon ways to reduce tariffs on car parts imported from the United States to demonstrate its readiness to ease the current trade frictions.

German retail sales up West German January retail

sales rose 8 per cent in real terms over January, 1979, on a nominal basis, turnover rose 14 per cent in January against 1979,

Dealers 'obsessed with new car sales'

Car dealers are devoting too much of their time and resources to the cut price their time and resources to the cueption battle for new sales at the expense of higher profits in used cars, Mr Michael Lacey, director of Glass's Guide, said yesterday. The Guide is the salesman's monthly "bible" on used car prices and is not available to the public. Under pressure from manufacturers, the

dealers are discounting so aggressively that the profit margin on three new cars sold to business buyers is often only equal to one low mileage used car, he added.

There is no discount battle to worry about on used cars and dealers would dealers. about on used cars, and dealers would do well to remember this. Last year too many dealers turned away part exchange buyers who then disposed of their cars privately. We estimate that used cars retailed by the motor trade fell by 12 per cent last year when new car sales. per cent last year when new car sales reached an all-time record". Mr Lacey

His comments follow an analysis of the trade's prospects which he wrote for the atest issue of Motor Trade Executive, the journal of the Motor Agents Association, where he reported that the used car market "went soft" from the middle of last year. By October many dealers were frantically trying to reduce used stocks even if this meant selling to other dealers at "distress prices".

By Bill Johnstone

the bome.

The production of 2,000-3,000

Prestel television sets, and an

increase in overall production

at its Welsh factory, is the cur-

rent commitment of the Sony

Corporation, as described by

the company's co-founder and chairman, Mr Akio Morita. Mr

Morita, speaking in London yes-

terday, also predicted that the

rechnology currently being used

in the business environment

would soon be introduced into

That philosophy is reflected

in Sony's immediate plans to

concentrate a substantial part of its future energies in de-

veloping the business and insti-

rutional side of its markets.

These at present contribute to

one-third of its annual turnover.

Sony's presence in word pro-

essing and office machinery is

becoming prominent around the

world, and its share in the American office dictating equip.

ment market has grown to

But the focus of Sony's atten-

tion yesterday was in the launch

of its larest model of video-re-

corder which is designed around

the Betamax system developed by the corporation itself.

nearly 15 per cent.

production in Wales

As a result all prices fell sharply. Sellers had to learn the hard way that if they hoped to solve their own used car stock problems by passing their cars to other dealers, then a price had to be paid for the privilege", he said.

However pressure to reduce stocks has eased since. December and prices have steadied. New sales are forecast to fall by at least 200,000 from last year's record 1.7 million units. But there are indica-tions that the pressure of inflated new prices will increase the number of motor-ists trading up for a better used car With another 500,000 cars expected on

the road this year because of fewer scrappings, Mr Lacey urges dealers to cash in on this remaining growth sector. Turning to the motor industry in Turning to the motor industry in general and BL in particular, he says 1979 may have marked the watershed in its fortunes with the political and economic climates combining to allow managements to say "enough is enough". Por the first time in many years managements were facing up to the unions on the right to manage and in the rejection of unrealistic pay demands.

"The outcome is of immense importance to the whole nation. Do we at last mend our ways or continue down the

petitor to the Sony one, but that

the company had been con-

another manufacturer with a

view to standardization. He

declined to name the manu-

On Sony's development of

the video disc, a large part of

its marketing will be devoted to

the institutional field where

the number of copies of a par-

ticular film can be measured

in thousands, so making the

cost of using a disc cheaper

compared to the cost of copying

Mr Morita was optimistic

about the video market, despite the three systems. In Japan,

the three systems. In Japan, he believes, the point is just about to be reached when the

market will explode. That figure he quotes as 5 per cent saturation of all households. In

parable concentration at present

is between 1 and 2 per cent, so it may take more than five

years to develop to the 5 per

Of the future, Mr Morita

concedes, as many Japanese businessmen have before him,

that the point may come when his country's chief export could be capital and technology.

negonations

Sony commitment to expanding

Mr Akio Morita: business tech-

nology to be adapted for the

Sony system is one of the

three companies competing for

dominance in a market where

the consumer is still suffering

from what many dealers are

beginning to call " rechnofear "
—fear of commitment to pur-

chasing anything in case the technology changes. The other two systems are the VHS and Philips.

dreary Luddite path of overmanning, dispute ridden, unproductive performance?" he asked. Even if there is a real change of heart

throughout the motor industry this year, with not a dispute in sight, he suggests we can expect little in the way of miracles. Total car production in Britain will only reach 1.05 million units or what Volkswagen, Renault, Peugeot and Fiat produce

individually.

He is equally pessimistic about halting the rocketing sales of imports and in a swipe at Sir Michael Edwardes "Buy British" campaign, says: "It serves little purpose to berate the customer for his lack

"It would be nice to hope that the pen-dulum might begin to swing back towards British-built cars but all the indications British-built cars but all the indications suggest a further advance by foreign imports to at least 57.5 per cent this year. This compares with 56.3 per cent last year. Mr Lacey insists that this is a key year for BL. Only two years ago its minimum hopes were for production in excess of 800,000 cars and last year it was down to 500,000. "If they can do no better in 1980, then pruning the labour force by 25,000 will resolve nothing in the long term." he will resolve nothing in the long term ", he

Clifford Webb

Engineers' pay up by 20 per cent Mr Morita conceded that the last year VHS system was a major com-

By Kenneth Owen Technology Editor

Professional. mechanical engineers gained pay rises of more than 20 per cent during 1979, according to a survey conducted by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers in January and published by the institution yesterday.

Average salary of fellows and members (the main professional grades) of the institution in January was £9,800, and that of graduate and student members was \$6,800. On an age basis, the biggest rises went to engineers in their early 50s, who gained increases of about 23 per cent

The best paid type of work for mechanical engineers, the survey shows, is general management in private industry. Worst paid are those in development and design who are not managers. The former, for members and fellows of the institution, are paid at least £12,500; the latter were hard pressed to earn £7.500.

The best-paying sector mechanical engineers was the power resources industry (coal, gas, oil and water), where fellows and members of the institution were paid an average of £11,110. The worst-paid sector for these grades of membership was that of universities and polytechnics, where the average was £8,040.

In general management, the

range of salaries is from £10,000 to £16,060 in the private sector, with a £12,500 average (assessed independently of age). In the public sector, general management pays £9,500 to £14.250, with an average of £11,530, on the same basis. In each case the relevant membership grades are those of fellow and member.

in general, the average private-sector salary (age-independent, for members and fellows) is £390 more than that in the public sector.

Analysed in terms of age groups, the highest average salary reported in the survey is £12,000 for engineers (members and fellows) aged 50 to 54 in the chemical and allied industry.

Industrial progress 'more rewarding'

A progressive improvement in industrial performance through the 1980s is a more feasible and more rewarding

onus of improving performance in a more responsive environ-ment squarely on the shoulders of industry's managers.

"However, we must not be too impatient. National work practices and attitudes depractices and attitudes developed over many years will not be radically changed in 12 months, particularly in 12 months of low growth and high

says that in general, and some-times in very difficult circum-stances, industrial relations stances, industrial relations have been good "and employees have shown a realistic understanding of the company's need to deliver good quality products on time and at com-

work goes into making and sell-ing products having a total value of over £500m.*

The chairman reports that cash generated by operations during the year, at £49m, fell short of requirements by "only £4m" which was covered by

minutes to make correct decisions following any loss of even if the neutron-abstrocolant accident in a PWR is incorrect. It is an essential design requirement that for any type of reactor built in the United States, operator action is not required for at least 10 minutes following an initiating fault. In the United Kingdom and Germany the prescribed increased uranium consist time without operator intervention is 30 minutes: Sir. The letter to the Editor by Professor G. R. Bainbridge and others published on March 4 under the heading "Why AGR nuclear power system is safer and less costly contains a number of inaccurate and mis-leading statements which, re-grettably, can only add to the interested in this topic. A comprehensive and detailed

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Misunderstanding over relative

benefits of thermal reactors

tion is 30 minutes.

Any actions necessary within A comprehensive and reactors, including AGR and PWR, has been carried out by the National one considers a wider safety. With full fuel reprocessions perspective it is important to uranium requirement appreciate that the design of PWR, over its lifetime is any PWR power stations built 10 per cent higher that the United Kingdom wall Nuclear Corporation and a report of this work "The Choice of Thermal Reacror Systems" was published in 1977. An examination of this document by Professor Bainbridge monthly perhaps have avoided have to conform to the same with no reprocessing of fa stringent safety criteria as apply to the latest AGRs. In the case of temperature

ment by Professor Balantings would perhaps have avoided some of the misunderstandings evident in his letter. But in the absence of this, the following observations may be helpful to Professor Bainbridge and his colleagues at the Energy In the case of temperature excursions in PWRs any tempperature increase, evaporation or loss of coolent causes the power of the reactor to be reduced. Indeeed, this is such a strong effect that for most postulated PWR faults the The reference to reactor operators having only two

Depression's lessons

From Mr John Mills

The financial collapse.

increased as fast as output between 1926 and 1929. Prices

rere stable. Wages increased

by only 2 per cent.

There was deflation in the

United Kingdom because ster-ling was overvalued. Money was

dear because the deficit in the

and other central banks to

relieve the pressure on the Bank of England by lowering

interest rates in 1927-28 instead

of raising them to check the

boom before it got out of hand

There was no shortage of money in the United Kingdom after the collapse, The nominal

rakue increased and the real

Muddled

thinking on

capital tax

From Mr T. M. Holmes

Sir, Dr Bracewell-Milnes criti-cizes (March 4) Adrienne Glee-son's article on capital taxation but seems to me guilty of some muddled thanking on capital

gains tax. He asserts that taper

ing is logical because, in his opinion, the longer an asset is held, the less its resemblance to income. An asset would not ordinarily, if ever, resemble

income but I take him to mean

that the economic increment accruing on the disposal of an

asset loses its character as in-come the longer it takes to mature. I fail to see the logic

I suggest the more logical

proposition is that all gains are a form of income. It has been

argued, however, that a gain accruing over a long period should be taxed more lightly to

compensate for the bunching effect of bringing it all into one year. I think that was one

of the reasons for having a relatively low fixed rate of 30 per cent (the standard rate of income tax was 41.25 per cent

The real problem remains the effect of inflation on the

the effect of initiation on the computation of such income/gains. Only indexation can properly counter that; tapering is an illogical and wholly unsatisfactory solution. But simplicity ought to be the keynote of any solution and I would be the second counter further necessaries further necessaries.

therefore advocate further pro-

gress along the road started on in 1978—increased exemption

thresholds—and supported by Mr Bevis in his letter of March

A cut in the rate also seems

of that.

in 1965-66).

iustified

Yours faithfully. T. M. HOLMES, Rutland House,

The Gowans, Sutton on the Forest, York, YO6 1DL.

BL plea for

From Mr John Martin

patriotism calls

the wrong tune

Sir, British Leyland is currently exhorting the public to buy all things British, especially motor cars. Its truck subsidiary trades under the name of Leyland with no mention of British and its

current television advertising is to music from Wagner's Lohengrin, Does this not seem

rather incongruous? Would not music by a British composer be a more appropriate back-

a more appropriate back-ground? The obvious choice

would seem to be Elgar unless it is thought his music is

OIL

political

unacceptable

Yours faithfully. J. MARTIN,

57 Tycehurst Hill,

grounds l

Loughton,

ditions and 8 per cent less for the than is needed for the ! Yours faithfully,

General Manager, Nuclear Power Compa Cambridge Road, Whetstone,

value increased even faster as prices fell. The rate on three month's Bills fell from 5.30 per cent in 1929 to 0.57 per cent Mr Helloway is equally mis-taken in his reference to experience since 1945. The

the two were level pegging even though prices rose by Bearly 60 per cent; contrary to all monetarist theory. The very high rate of inflation in recent years has not been accompanied by an increase in the money supply. The relationship has not been stable and so fer no evidence has been produced to show that the direction of causality flows in only

balance of payments had to be financed by attracting short-term funds to Lopdon.

Rising output brought rising profits in the United States and between 1926 and 1929 the The lessons of the inter-we velocity of circulation of money increased by no less than 40 per cent. Professor Robbins antibuted the collapse to the decision by the Federal Reserve and other central banks to

meat. Yours faithfully, JOHN MILLS, ecretary,

Sir Mr Holloway of the Economic Research Council bases his support (March 6) for Mrs Thatcher's policies on an incorrect appreciation of what happened in the 1930s and since 1945. money supply increased a little faster than output after the war, but between 1949 and 1961

The financial collapse of 1929-32 was centred on the United States and Professor (now Lord) Robbins has shown in "The Great Depression", written in 1934, that this was not caused by a "deliberate curtailment of the supply of money". The supply of money "I the United States of America increased as fast as output one direction. Idoney is a com-modity and it would indeed be odd if its price was affected only by the supply. We need to look at the demand and how much of the demand is pro-

period suggests that our decline will continue until our monetary and exchange rate policies are reversed, as they were in 1931 as a result of a U-turn by an essentially Conservative govern-

Compaign for a Competitive Exchange Rate, 72 Albert Street, London NW1 7NR March 11

Ordinary

Poor qual of record production

Sir, With regard to your "Music industry's ci rhythm "March 10), it only the rhythm whit changed in the Music In The descending level of for major record cor could no doubt be reve the record-producing created a quality fault-fr duct. Most LP albus nearly all "Pop" single inherent faults which from the consumer's li pleasure. The "plops, cli ticks " which every recor now to house is a sure assure a declining pub pouse. If the quality cor the production of reco improved so would the The record companie

herent in the vinyl-prove the vinyl to Incidentally, I have purchased a record white that it is "A digital ing"—but that too stil all the faults of the batch of long-playing all

Yours faithfully, PETER R. HODGES, 3 Chaire Court, 9 Upperton Gardens,

East Sussex BN21 2AA.

FROM THE STATEMENT BY THE CHARIMAN, SIR HECTOR LAING

1979 was a very challenging year. Profits before tax at £43.7 million were £1.5 million higher than those for 1978. Significant factors affecting these

results were: United Kingdom

The road haulage dispute which adversely affected all areas of the **business**

The increased rate of Value Added Tax which resulted in a temporary fall in volume of the affected products which account for about 40% of our UK turnover.

The continued high level of marketing investment necessary to develop our frozen food and fast food businesses.

United States of America

Keebler's profit, after an excellent: ... first half, flattened out in the second half, mean that there will be little or no compared with the same period in the previous year when margins were exceptionally high. In addition, the second half of 1979 bore the cost of very heavy investment in new product launches. Specialty Brands, which joined the

Group in June 1979, exceeded the pre-tax profit forecast for the year of * \$6.1 million by \$0.3 million. Interest

Heavy capital investment in the UK. and USA, the acquisition of Specialty Brands and high interest rates raised our net interest costs from £3.8 million to £6.3 million.

Corporate Objectives

Although we have failed to meet our corporate objectives in respect of profit margin on sales and return on capital employed, this was almost ... entirely due to our profit decline in the first half of the year. In the second half we achieved a pre-tax profit increase of£3.9 million or 16.7% over the corresponding period in 1978. 'Real World'

In the circumstances our profit performance in 1979 can be regarded as reasonable. However, the above figures are measured in historical accounting terms. In the present inflationary conditions i believe it is more realistic to

present our results on a current cost basis in the belief that they provide a more realistic reflection of a company's performance. For too long industry has deluded itself with the misleading impression of profitability given by historical accounting which, in a time of high inflation, bears little relation to reality. Accordingly we have given more. prominence to presenting our results on a current cost basis. These show that ... profit before taxation for 1979 would be £34.1 million (1978 £34.7m) and that dividends would be covered 2.7 times (1978 3.3 times).

Outlook I welcome the freedom from regulation given to industry by the Government in the UK, and wholeheartedly support their determination to conquer inflation. However, the measures required to cure the disease growth in the UK economy in 1980, or in the United States, where similar problems exist. Nevertheless, as I have said before, people must est, and we

have a broad range of products in both

countries which will stand us in good stead in a time of recession, Rights Issue

cent ceiling.

. The Board proposes that the Company should raise approximately £33,8 million by the issue of 51,339,203 new Ordinary shares of 25p each by way of Rights on a one for five basis at 68p per share, payable in full on acceptance not later than 9th April, 1980.

Sir Hactor Laing, Chairman

Dividends

The Directors recommend the payment. of a final dividend of 2.0p per Ordinary share of 25p, making a total distribution for 1979 of 3.7p per share (1978 3.006p per share). Subject to approval by the Company at the Annual General Meeting the proposed final dividend will be payable on 1st July, 1980, to holders of Ordinary shares registered at the close of business on 4th June, 1980.

PRELIMINARY CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR 1979

	CURREN	VTCOST	HISTORIC	ALCOST
	1979	1978	1979	1978
umover	£m 7,91,0	£m 703.8	£m 791,0	£m •703.8
rading Profit: nterest searing Adjustment	37.4 6.3 3.0	36.5 3.8 2.0	50.0 6.3	46.0 3.8
	3,3	1.8		
rofit before Taxation axation	34.1 7.8	34.7 7.4	43,7 7,8	42.2 7.4
rofit after Texation xtraordinary items and minority interests	.26.3. 1.1	27.3 2.2	35.9 1.1	34.8 2.2
rofit attributable to shareholders Dividends	25.2 9.5	25.1 7.7	34.8 9.5	32.6 7.7
Indistributed profit	15,7	17.4	25,3	24.9
arnings per share	10.2p	10.9p	14.0p	13.8p

with the proposals contained in ED24, Current cost and historical cost trading profits

may be reconciled as follows: Historical cost trading profit 7.1 2.7 (0.3) 9.5 Current cost adjustments: Additional depreciation Additional cost of sales-4.5 (0.6) 12.6 Monetary working capital Current cost trading profit 37.4

The Annual Report will be posted to shareholders on Tuesday, 15th April.

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through the 1980s is a more feasible and more rewarding prospect than insistence on faster change at the cost of provoking a degree of industrial unrest which would subsequently lead to the slow decline seen in the 1970s, according to Sir Michael Clapham, chairman of IMI.

In his annual statement, he says the last Budget put the

inflation."
In his statement, Sir Michael

petitive costs.

"Much hard and constructive

He congratulates "those who have contributed . . . to the virtual doubling of our export realisations over the past four

short-term borrowings.
Investment in fixed assets £25m and working capital

TRANSPORT DEVELOPMEN GROUP IN 1979

1979 1978 Change Profit before tax . £m 22.3 £m 19.8 + 12.6% Earnings per share 8.71p 7,45p +16.9% Dividend per share 4,25p 3.60p + 18.1%

shareholder's £m110.8 £m102.0 +8.6% funds Net tangible assets pershare 83.4p 76.8p +8.6%

* Profit much above what could have been predicted at outset of year. Balance sheet one of great strength.

* Most haulage companies improved on previous year result despite 1979 driver s

* Warehousing companies had a good year after a difficult start. Profits of cold stores in line with previous year.

* Plant hire companies produced record trading profits.

* Export packing and industrial removal services had a buoyant year.

* Lighterage business of Thames & General Lighterage Limited sold. * Profits of Dutch transport companies

substantially increased but strength of sterling reduced impact on Group results. * Increase in profits of Australian companies

also eroded by strength of sterling and weakness of Australian dollar. * Signs of some decline from intense activity of 1979 but results to date establish sound

Full report and accounts available after 2 April 1980 from the Secretary, Transport Development Group Limited, Kingsgate House,

base for what may be a difficult year for

AULAGE STORAGE REINFORCEMENT EXHIBITION

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Battle lines at Lonrho

sho, the international trading and istrial conglomerate put together by Mr and "Tiny" Rowland, will come into the n at today's annual meeting of the comy in London. Shareholders will be asked approve an increase in the group's norized capital, an apparently innocuous e which the board says is simply to enthe flexibility to issue new equity - n necessary.

owever, Gulf Fisheries, a Kuwaitirolled company and Lourbo's largest le shareholder with 193 per cent of the tal will resist this and probably call for all, its case being that unissued equity ady accounts for 131 per cent of the I and which is sufficient. There is more t than this, though: the Kuwaitis, once e associates of Mr Rowland, bave me estranged from the company.

ast year Gulf's principal and a former rho director. Shaikh Nasser Sabah al sed, a member of the Kuwaiti ruling ily, attempted to get himself and an ciate back onto Lonrho's board. This successfully resisted by Mr Rowland other shareholders. Now it seems that . Ritis may be trying something much e ambitious-a consortium takeover bid Lonrho with the Kuwaiti stake as an ! ... ntial plank.

. 1 that case the Ruwaitis cannot really ... rd to see Lonrho in a position to issue equity for acquisitions which would te their stake in the cmpany. They will rably be unsuccessful again today, but a blocking move they must make.

r Rowland of course knows that rho, despite its money-making capacity, evertheless a company vulnerable to an essive takeover. Despite its earnings rd, the performance of the shares bas disappointing, partly because institual investors continue to shun the

ie shares, at 94p, are underrated on a ratio of only 5 and yielding 11.12 Mr land may feel that the loyalty he has d some 30p or so above the present ived from small shareholders in the will not prove as solid in the face of

presumably recognizes too (indeed he said as much) that such a price valuing entire company at around £275m is not aceivable given that Lourho could be en up. For these reasons Mr Rowland been preparing his ground for today's

has himself been accumulating shares e company (he bought a further 600,000 es yesterday at a cost of £549,000 takhis personal stake, together with the he controls through the holding of new associate, Mr Daniel K. Ludwig, up per cent of the equity).

Rowland's own stake (which is eligito vote on the main resolution) and hlocks held by Save and Prosper and Fraser Trusts together with support small shareholders should carry the in favour of the board roday.

sh Petroleum

erations ot market

evest ligures from BP point up some of problems the company is going to face he years sheed. The loss of Nigerian s following on the loss of supplies from has forced BP to become a major buyer her spot market to fulfil existing conand satisfy his own requirements.

620m profits are nearly four-fold up adjusted for current costs accounting ts would have been up from £219m to Even that increase has to be seen ne light of a 9.7 per cent return on

though under the Hyde guideline infla-accounting includes stock appreciation, eciation based on replacement value a gearing adjustment on borrowings, £1,000m rise in profits was effectively to stock appreciation. Under the FIFO valuation system, British oil compareport much higher results than US oil ranies which operate under the LIFO

us BP's associate SOHIO reports under

extraordinary struggle for control of LIFO in America and BP's stake is then reported under the FIFO method here.

BP will not quantify how much it was forced to buy on the spot market in the last quarter of the year. But adjusted for stock appreciation, pension provisions of £55m and exchange losses, profits would have been £168m, well down on the third quarter's £212m and roughly in line with the comparable period of 1978.

On the longer-term view, BP, as a major oil group is likely to remain a good hold. The shares at 378p are on a P/E ratio of 3.5-though this would go up to 9 ex-stock appreciation—and a comfortable yield of 7.1

Cadbury Schweppes

Sticking to

it last

The dramatic about turn in management thinking at Cadbury Schweppes some three years ago has started to reap rewards; profits were 19 per cent up last year to £57.3m. The shares responded with a 2p rise

The most noticeable effect of Cadbury's decision to pull back from wide-ranging diversification and concentrate on high volume in the confectionery and drinks areas it knows best is a two-point jump in United Kingdom trading margins with trading profits leaping 44 per cent to

It is too early to assess what the longterm effects on confectionery demand will be from the increase in VAT rates, or for that matter the ten-week commercial TV strike. But although trade has been sluggish in the early part of this year Cadbury is comforted in the knowledge that chocolate manufacturers, like brewers and tobacco groups have clear defensive qualities.

The forthcoming Budget may yet produce

new problems, perhaps, a move on stock relief, which helped cut the tax charge this time to 31 per cent. But that apart a further profits advance to perhaps as much as £65m seems possible and the shares yielding 8.5 per cent and representing 6.3 times earnings may look increasingly attractive as the recessionary winds blow through

United Biscuits

A 'rights' for investment

After Pilkington's poorly received £60m call last December, companies have steered clear of big rights issues despite the current high cost of bank overdrafts, forecasts of the worst corporate liquidity crunch since 1974 and a relatively steady stockmarket on which to alaunch issues.

For all that, however, the rights queue is apparently not as congested as the deteriorating economic outlook would indicate, partly because companies have been running down stocks to ease their cash position and partly because the liquidity squeeze is not going to come about through a sudden rise in working capital as in 1974 bur a more insidious squeeze on corporate

For United Biscuits Its second rights Issue in three years, thic time for £33.8m, is hardly being made from a position of weakness. True, the call is somewhat opportunistic since it reckons mosey will become tighter as the going gets tougher and the one fifth discount on the overnight price of 87p coupled with the 23 per cent dividend increase to 5.3p gross for an ex-rights yield of almost 7 per cent at 80p looks generous enough to ensure success unless the stockmarket goes into a tail spin.

But United is one of the few food manufacturing groups that really believes in investing heavily for the future, with the heavy capital spending programme of the early 1970s paying off in compound growth of almost 50 per cent in the three years to 1977 even if the zip does seem to have gone out of profits since.

Despite a better than expected second half which pushed up full year profits after the opening setback from £42.2m to £43.7m, profits growth next year looks unlikely to be more than a tenth leaving little room for any earnings growth after the share issue.

for the chemicals industry

After a period of steady, and in some cases spectacular, growth the West European chemicals industry is going through another uncomfortable

Output which was growing at an annual rate of nearly 10 per cent in the 1960s and early 1970s is no longer expanding. In the longer term there are fears that some sectors, such as petrochemicals, have reached maturity and can no longer expect to go on winning business by offering substitutes for traditional materials. There is concern over the threat in home and overseas markets posed by exports from the United States, such as cheap feedstocks, Eastern Europe and the Middle East. Chemical chiefs have been

finding it increasingly difficult to predict future trends with any accuracy. One ICI petrochemicals executive complained recently, "I cannot really say what is going to happen to the price of naphtha (the industry's main raw material) next week, let alone through the 1980s. In these circumstances, planning has become something of a nightmare. Even sectoral re-organization has been dis-rupted, with harsh consequences for employment; in the man-made fibres industry, for example, a restructuring pro-gramme carried out under the austices of the European Com-

auspices of the European Com-mission has failed to prevent a

How much more difficult then is planning for individual companies. Some are being asked to sanction multi-million pound projects with lead times three or more years using feedstocks, whose prices bave been fluctuating wildly. The price of naphtha has varied by as much as \$40 per tonne a

week.
The most recent survey put growth at 4 per cent through the early 1980s, a figure mid-way between the industry's most optimistic and pessimistic estimates. Even at per cent, though, the industry would not need to start thinking of adding to ethylene (a basic chemical building block) capacity upoil the end of the decade.

Figures published yesterday by the Chemical Industries Association showing the investment intentions of the industry therefore, are of particular

They are required reading, not merely in the chemicals industry, but throughout the manufacturing sector. Chemicals account for more than 90 per cent of the net favourable balance of Britain's trade in manufactured goods, and for about 17 per cent of manufacturing investment in the United Kingdom.
Process plant makers and

continuing mismatch of demand other suppliers to the industry and capacity.

How much more difficult that investment intentions have been scaled down.

Why planning is becoming a nightmare

Last year the industry spent about £1,090m in the United Kingdom, 10 per cent down in real terms on 1978. Between then and 1983 it is expected investment will decline in real terms by about 30 per cent. But it could have been worse and the association expected it to be worse.

Mr Bernard White, chairman covering perrochemicals in Mr Bernard White, chairman Western Europe forecast out of the association's economics committee, said yesterday: "The massive investment over the late 1970s and forecast for the 1980s represents a surprisingly bright picture, at least in the context of the serious economic problems of the present time, within the United Kingdom and worldwide."

A downturn in investment has occurred, and there are good reasons for it. ICI, which invests more than 12m a day on new plant, has cut its investment programme by about 5200m. During 1979 the company sanctioned spending in the United Kingdom of £286m, against £466m in 1978. ICI does not expect any growth in the home chemicals market this year. Sir Maurice Hodgson,

chairman, blamed the reduction prices on reduced forecast demand face of for chemicals and the inadequate levels of cash flow and tition.

that there has been "a dismal catalogue of economic events over the last year". They in-clude oil price rises, sluggish

development of the home market, industrial disputes, rising inflation and high interest rates, and the threat of world recession. If even the present slimmed

down investment intentions are fulfilled, the industry's "capacity gap "—that is, the extent to which production capacity exceeds output—will grow to 19 per cent by 1982-82, It would mean, also, that at 24 per cent, the United Kingdom's share of total European Community investment in chemicals will be at a higher level than its share of turnover.

This suggests that the home industry is striving to increase its share of chemical industry activity in the Community, and is counting on a substantial recovery of the economies of the United Kingdom and other advanced industrial nations.

But will these investment and marketing embitions be realized? Probably not. The associa-tion says of the potential capa-city gap: "If realized the industry is clearly facing some very difficult years ahead and it will inevitably be struggling hard to maintain employment, prices and profitability in the face of continuing cost inflation and severe international compe-

of profitability". The "capacity gap" bas The association, too, admits never been as high as 19 per

cent—a fact which suggests that individual decisions taken in the coming months could,

substantially reduce aggregate capacity at the end of the day. The association concedes that actual spending may be modi-fied in the light of economic development, changes in mar-ket growth and cash availability

and may be adversely affected

by external constraints, such as strikes and planning delays. But it is sufficiently confldent to highlight some favour-able indications hidden in the figures. Intentions are broken down according to region and broad category only (which show, for example, that, 55 per cent of expenditure was devoted actually to increasing productive capacity, and some 5 per cent to energy conserva-

However, the association said the figures showed that, despite its bad record for plant construction, Britain remained an artractive place for foreign investment.

Moreover, there was evidence of greater buoyancy among the smaller and medium-size companies which tended to concentrate on the production of high-added-value speciality. chemicals.

This suggested that the quality if not the quantity of investment was continuing to

John Huxley

The 'loss leader' battle goes to the courts

An unprecedented legal action which Hotpoint is seeking a urt declaration that the omet discount retail chain has been "loss leading" with its products, threatens to undo the one legal success which the Office of Fair Trading has scored in its travails with the Resale Prices Act.

It was only last June that Hotpoint agreed to resume deli-veries to Comet after the Office of Fair Trading had issued a High Court writ alleging that the company was attempting to reintroduce retail price mait-

Now Horpoint believes it may b able to use the one exception permitted by Mr Edward Heath's legislation abolishing retail price maintenance to cul omer's supplies off once more. Under section 13 of the Act, manufacturers can legally deny supplies to retailers they have reason to believe have been using their products as loss leader within the last 12 months. The Act defines loss

leading as pricing a product at a level not intended to make a profit, but simply to attract customers into the store. So far Comet has not complied with a Hotpoint request for detailed information about its pricing policy, costs and manhave detected a rise in the prices for Comet's own-brand decline in the prices asked for Hotpoint appliances. The lowest margin which Comer's advertised prices for Hotpoint products allow at present, according to Mr Graham Morris of Hotpoint, is "below to be a second to be a secon 7 per cent ". Hotpoint would be within its legal rights to deny Comet supplies immediately, he cleims, and it is only seeking a court declaration first "to strengthen our hand".

The case, the first in which a company has sought a legal culing on what constitutes loss leading, is the latest in a series of struggles which discount traders have had with manufactured traders have had with manufactured. turers unhappy to see their recommended prices heavily cut, Tesco has complained to the Office of Fair Trading about of television and audio equip

ment from Thorn: Argos com-plained similarly about a clutch

But even in cases where it has complaints, the Office of Fair Trading finds it difficult to act effectively. In the cases submitted by Argos, there was only one—in which the company had stated in writing that it was withholding supplies because of the retailers discount pricing policies—that the OFT felt was

firm enough to proceed upon. Manufacturers' disagreements with cut-price traders are sel dom confined to pricing policy when Hotpoint last refused to supply Comet it said the discompany refused to e its range-stocking observe In other cases where manu-

In other cases where manu-facturers have succeeded in ra-introducing retail price main-tenance by the back door, the OFT has found itself powerless to act because of the difficulty of getting evidence from dis-count traders who have been bullied into line, and the ease with which manufacturers can claim that supplies have been refused for reasons other than pricing policy.

Mr Chaim Schreiber, heads both Horpoint and the furniture company which bears his name, has long been one of the price-cutters' most impleable enemies, believing that independent dealers are the best base for British-branded

Ris fellow director, Mr Gre ham Morris, said yesterday:
"We do feel that in the field
of consumer durables there is a lot to be said for the reintro duction of retail price mainten ance. We have to cover the servicing and guarantee costs so we have an interest in seeing our products properly stocked, delivered, installed and commissioned. These are things cut price dealers do not like

"The abolition of retail price maintenance is extremely diffi-cult to enforce against foreign manufacturers. We do not want to see British industry placed

Robin Young

Technology

Competitors line up for the switch to PABX

Many of the world's relecommunications companies are sceering their research and development towards getting a footbold in one of the newest and most lucrative markets that modern technology has created

inter-office communications.
One principal area that has mushroomed has been the manufacture and the provision of a device called the Public Automatic Branch Exchange (PABX) which is able to conprol the internal communications of a company while at the same time able to route calls either inter-city or across continents with a range of facilities never before available

under the old technologies.
Those old technological
designs were largely dependent
on electro-mechanical switches hich would route a call on what was termed a step-by-step basis. Each switch operated, n turn activated another which after a certain period would operate another in the едиепсе.

The switches were designed more than a century ago by an American undertaker called Strowger. Legend has it that an ireate Strowger found that the local operator of the tele-phone exchange was routing business to her husband in Strowger's absence.

His invention was able to route calls to his office without the intervention of manual operation. The first exchange using that principal was intro-duced by the British Post Office in a public network in 1912 and has been used as the basis of ing since then. But the arrival of microprocessors, digital technology and the compact designs of the

mechanical switching systems almost obsolete. Even the most modest of private network exchanges now on the market encompass systems like high speed dialling (where short abbreviated telephone codes are used) and facilities to auto-from IBM, Plessey and Pya matically divert calls when a have been given approval by

Bill Johnstone

particular extension There is a difference between

(PAXs) and the Private Automatic Branch Exchanges (PABX). (In the former, the equipment simply routes calls Branch attached to a public network for external communication. The latter fulfils this internal function but is also able to effectively operate as a small owned branch exchange attached to the external network.

within the United Kingdom, PABN business has been divided into two distinct systems: those with a capacity for up to a hundred extensions (lines) and those able to handle more than a hundred. The smaller have largely been the province of the Post Office, which, even in the old techpology, lessed a system to small

The Post Office still intends to be a primary competitor in that market with its new digial systems, leaving the larger installations to the competitive marketing forces of the world's telecommunication manufacturers.

The principal contenders in that market are GEC, IBM. ITT, Pye, Plessey. Thorn, Ericsson—all of which manufacture BANK Contended and Parket Statements. facture PABX systems—and Reliance and Telephone Rentals which are suppliers. Rowever, the market is controlled. equipment like PABX which is connected to a public network is subject to the control of the Post Office.

Manufacturers have to submir their machinery to the telecom-munications department of the Post Office so that the equip-ment can be tested and scrutinized for technical performance and reliability. So far systems from IBM, Plessey and Pye

the Pos Office; others, from GEC, Thorn-Ericsson and ITTs are being tosted.
The companies have to meet

three criteria. First, that the system must work with a Fost Office network—both extension apparatus and public exchanges. Second, the PABX must to compatible with telephone handsets and other equipment leased from the Post Office.

Third it must give an acceptable standard of service which is cheap to maintain. The third point is of primary significance to the Post Office, since it is responsible, whatever the system, for maintenance.

According to the Post Office, the ultimate decision on whether any PABX accepted for evaluation is PO approved depends mainly on its overall pen-formance rather than the pre-cise achievement of our requirements in every single detail.".

The new designs incorporate almost every new development available in the electronics industry. Systems already au-proved or which are in the process of being approved can handle between 300 and 10.000 extensions within a company.

Most of these systems have a microprocessor which is especi-

programmed to take the calls and direct them to whatever destination the caller is demanding. The system is technically referred to as Stored Programme Control (SPC) and, using a speech or data signal converted from an analogue wave-form to a series of digital pulses, it can allot the free telecommunication channels to the The allocation system is called

multiplexing.
The PABX, however, is not just a new method of elec-tronically routing calls. It will become a principal festure the electronic office of the future where word processors. electronic mail and data sys-tems like Prestel will be linked to individual offices via a microprocessor controlled PABX.

Business Diary: Enter three Teddy boys • Radiation slickness?

Government's economic ies may be in for rather searching examination the newly-formed Treasury Committee. As part of its ry into monetary policy, committee, headed by ird du Cano, has signed up .. leading academics who acknowledged as leading as on monetary theory but toted also for a distinctly ical approach to monetar-All three are in their

> vid Henry, who has just appointed Professor of ometrics at the London of Economics, used his iural lecture to suggest the problem of government wing might be that there too little, rather than too and that this was driving ountry into recession. One get a better link between all and inflation than be-1 money supply and prices, is argued.

is Marcut Miller, Pro-Economics ick noticeably more sym-ric. Willem Buiter, Pror of Economics at Bristol, orked for years with Prof-James Tobin, perhaps the distinguished academic nonetarist in America, and ouilt his reputation in an of topical concern.

is known for his debunk-" crowding out "-tha estion that public sector its are funded only at the ise of drying up funds for te investment. He says this te investment. He says this service north are the Energy nly happen even in theory. Secretary. David Howell, reorditions which are so Scottish National Party Euro Cive and rare as to be of MP Winnie Ewing, and latest nly happen, even in theory. practical significance. but not least, may's visitor,



Honowood

" Poor old Muhammad Ali, trapped into another ruinous fight by the United States Internal Revenue. Their men look like butterflies and sting like bees."

On't enter it without guide " coos the Nuclear Power Information Group in its press advertisements about the nuclear power dehate. There bas been a good response to the invitation in the ads to write off for "the facts" from NPIG, which, surprise, surprise, is sponsored by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority, British Nuclear Fuels and other

government-linked outlits in the nuclear business. Above the cooing one can just about hear the steady tramp, tramp of VIP feet to the NKAEA's fast reactor pro-

totype at Dounceay. Mrs Thatcher, whom the French now call the "uranium lady" has been nor only to Dounreay but to see the French Super-Phénix commercial fast reactor. Others who have been on the UKAEA's charter plane

James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition.

Howell is still considering whether the nuclearocracy should be given the go-ahead for fast reactors. These breed their own plutonium fuel at a time when the uranium on which present reactors feed is running out.

Unfortunately, plutonium is what nuclearocrats also make bombs from and, says the "anti" lobby, the more fact reactors, the more chances of nuclear maybem.

Even if Howell says yes, it will be the 1990s before we see a fast reactor. However, ha has a second decision to make whether to go on building uranium-powered reactors to British design or switch to the American pressurized water reactor à la Three Mile Island. Not until the "anti" lobby becomes as persuasive as the nuclearcrats—or we have our own Three Mile Island—will be question, whether we want more nuclear power at all rather than what sort?

Francis Perkins, the founder chairman of the British Insur-ance Brokers' Association, is bringing in a top civil servant s full-time director-general. He is Michael Morris, under

secretary of the Shipping Policy Division at the Department of Trade. More to the point, Mor-ris was for five years previously under secretary of the Insurance Division. No problems forhim should his masters deindex his pension. I fancy.
Perkins, who is 68, used to
run the brokers' association
himself. He will now concen-

trate on the chairmanship of the Insurance Brokers' Regis-tration Council, a statutory body set up under the Insur-Brokers' Registration Act of 1977 for which he strove long. BIBA's new non-executive chairman will be fellow cam-paigner and former Lloyds chairman Ian Findlay.

The general idea of the Act is to forbid the use of the term "insurance broker" by people who are mere agents of one or two insurance companies and act in the companies' and their own personal interests to the possible detriment of those of their ostensible clients.

Morris, who joins the association in June, will have more to

do there than bend the ear of his present master, Trade Secretary John Nott. Some BIBA members are slow to register under the Act, therefore putting their mem-bership at risk. Second, BIBA is drafting its own system of professional qualifications. of professional quanticators.

Already, I hear, one or two
members are jumping the gun
and styling themselves "fellows" of BIBA and such.

Morris will have to stamp on

 Has the Institute of Director. stolen a march on the rival Con federation of British Industry in establishing a consultancy to provide firms with non-executive directors? The CBI in collabora tion with the Bank of England and the Stock Exchange has yet to finalize its own plan.
Proposals are for a list of management consultants to be

drawn up to put companies and The institute by binking with consultants Tyzack and Partners in effect creates just such a

The Companies Bill which is ploughing its way through the parliamentary procedures is forcing business to rexamine the role of directors. One idea put forward by Sir Brandon Rhys Williams the Tory MP for Kensington and Chelsea is that larger companies should be compelled to make more use of out-

side directors.

The institute like the CBI is keen to get more movement on a voluntary basis if only to head off compulsion. The institute looks like being first, that is all.

How many people are directly employed in the jar-jlung em pire of Michael Heseltine. Environment Secretary, quango hunter and assiduous cost-cutter? MPs put the question recently. Back has come the answer: on February 1 there were 48,862.5 staff on the payroll. Such precision, has prompted disaffected observers in the building industry to argue that the offending demiperson beremoved, if only on the ground of being half-hearted about his or her job.

Ross Davies



Anglo American Investment Trust Limited

Preliminary Profit Announcement	•
and	
Notice of Final Dividend on the Ordinary Share	25

1980, and the actual results for the year ended March 31 19	Year	Year
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Investment income	354	633
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Administration and other expenses	1 115	875
Provision for taxation) 138	251
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Interim dividend No. 79 of 230 cents a share	** 70 000	
Final dividend No. 80 of 630 cents a share	53 000 }	52 000
	86 000	75 000
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	104 000	79 000
	617	305
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Unappropriated profit. March 31 1980	4 150	3 533
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(before extraordinary item)—cents	907	793
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2. Changes in investments: The company has sold its investment of 590 625 shares in Anglo American Industrial Corporation Limited and purchased 2 274 100 deferred shares in De Beers Consolidated Mines Limited, increasing its holding in that company to 97 136 400 deferred shares.

* The last practical date before publication of these results.

The company has substantial interacts both in De Beers Consolidated Mines Limited and in the diamond trading companies. Sales by the Central Selling Organisation for the year ended December 31 1979 amounted to R2 192 million (R2 219 million), equivalent to US dollars 2 598 million (dollars 2 552 million).

Diamond price increase: The price of rough gem diamonds weighing more than one carst marketed by the Central Selling Organisation was increased with affect from February 18 1980. The increase varied according to quality and size. The affect will be an overall increase in the price of diamonds sold by the Central Selling Organisation of approximately 12

Final dividend

Dividend No. 80 of 630 cents per ordinary shares (1979: 520 cents), being the final dividend for the year ending March 31 1980, has been declared payable to shareholders registered in the books of the company at the close of business on March 28 1980. This dividend, together with the interim dividend of 230 cents a share declared on August 28 1979, makes a total of 860 cents a share for the year ending March 31 1980 (1979:

The ordinary share transfer registers and registers of members will be closed from March 29 to April 11 1980, both days inclusive, and warrants will be posted from the Johannesburg and United Kingdom offices of the transfer secretaries on or about April 24 1980. Registered shareholders paid from the United Kingdom currency equivalent on April 15 1980 of the rand value of their dividends (less appropriete taxes). Any such shareholders may, however, elect to be paid in South Africacurrency provided that any such request is received transfer secretaries on or before March 28 1980.

The effective rate of non-resident shareholders' tax is The dividend is payable subject to conditions which can be inspected at the head and London offices of the company and also at the offices of the company's transfer secretaries, Consolidated Share Registrars Limited, 62 Marshall Street, Johannesburg 2001 and Charter Consolidated Limited, Charter House, Park Street, Ashford, Kent TN24 8EQ.

It is enticipated that the forty-loudh exqual report of the company in respect of the year ending March 31 1980 will be despetched to members on or about May 13 1980.

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However, despite the firmer tone, trading remains pitifully thin with only certain sectors and special situations being able to hold investors' interest.

broking houses.
Gilts continued to mark time and, as yet, there is no sign of the run-up to the Budget being predicted by a one or two After Wednesday's tumble in share values, jobbers were again in a cautious mood yesterday which was not helped by United Biscuit's cash-call to shareholders for £34m. This wiped 7p from the shares at 80p and 3p from Associated

Biscuits at 82p.

But it was the "brilliant" figures from Ultramar accompanied by a 100 per cent scrip which finally helped to swing the market the other way. Buyers soon stepped into the arena with BP becoming a target just ahead of the ligures.

Jobbers reported some fairly heavy trade, mainly from the institutions which helped to dry-up the large selling orders from the United States which had been evident all week

In the meantime, trading elsewhere remained thin, although the tone was definitely

Gilts had another quiet trading session, with the pattern much the same as the rest of the week. Prices held fairly steady, but if they showed any sign of weakness the buyers moved in although not in any great scale. This is how most least until after the budget

As a result, longs drifted after a confident start, but recovered at the close to finish unchanged in most cases. Shorts witnessed a few buyers which enabled them to finish at the top with rises of around

Leading industrials took their cue from the return to favour among the oils with ICI recov-ering 8p to 370p after its bearish annual report. But Turner and Newall's disappoint-ing full-year figures on Wed-

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more modest. Unilever rose 5p to 440p, Glazo 4p to 250p, Courtzulds 2p to 70p and

Beecham 1p to 122p. But it was seconam Ip to 1229. But it was enough to show some sort of recovery in the F.T. Index, which after opening 3.3 down, went on to close wit ha net gain on the day of 2.1 at 447.0. Furniture retailers Courts (Fur-

nishers) seem to have lagged behind the sector recently. The shares at 90p stand at a big dis-count to the 188p net asset value and if the bill to enforce enfranchisement of all shares gets through Parliament, Courts with its non voters could roar about

Nevertheless, it was the continued return of confidence in oils which enabled the turu-round. The majors came in for a further round of buying enticed by the full-year figures from BP which, at £1.6bn, were bang on target. This pushed the share price up 16p on overnight

levels, after starting the day 4p lower at 348p. Ultramar's doubled profits achievement and 1-for-1 scrip was another leading light which was just the tonic sought by most investors. The shares be came eagerly sought and fin-

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T. Clarke (F)
East Lanc Paper (F)
Harris & Sheidon (F)
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BTV (I)
G & B Metals (I)
Nelson David (I)
Nu-Swift Inds (F)
Newey Group (F)
Refuge Assurance (F)
Schroders (F)
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Dividends, in this table
shown on a gross basis.

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ished up the most actively traded stock as the price jumped 10p to 458p. But in vestors' enghusiasm was not confined to just these two. Shell closed 4p up at 380p accompanied by Burmah 4p to 215p. Tricentrol 4p to 292p and Lasmo 10p to 458p.

The second-liners had a quieter session of late but market men were stil lpleased with the outcome. Viking remained steady at 1,015p, following the counter bid from Sun of the United States earlier in the week, as did Siebens which closed at 620p.

closed at 620p. Aran Energy continued to lose ground reflecting its cash-call to shareholders, losing 6p

In shipping, hopes of a further bid from C. Y. Tung of 400p lifted Furness Withy Sp to 378p, but news that bid talks at Howard Tenens had broken down clipped 7p from the shares returning from suspension at 73p.

Also on the bid front, shares

of Status Discount were suspended at 69p as MFI rumbled 4p to 85p and W. H. Smith fall 3p to 148p. Both are rumoured to be 11k. Condidates. W. E. Turner also returned from suspersion 33p higher at 82p following an agreed bid from J. Hepworth, 1p easier at

Latest results

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Maple recovered an initiat

99.3(15.3) 14.0(13.8)

Dividends, in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and

up the most actively fall of 3p, to close unchanged. Full-year profits from stock as the price at 27p after reports that it was bury Schweppes were at 16p to 458p. But in still in talks with its mystery than expected and pushed the still in talks with its mystery than expected still in talks with its mystery bidder. Vegue speculative rumours that an auntouncement on a cross-Channel rail link is about to be made succeeded in boosting Channel Tunnel 70p to 230p, as speculative interest also helped Y. J. Lovell 6p to 116p and Royal Worcester 10p to 2160.

2160. News that the offer from Restro Investments of 9p a share has gone unconditional clipped in from Polly Peck at 18 p. The litigation over "loss leaders" being pursued by Hot point sent shares of Comet Radiovision dipping 2p to 91p. Ladbroke recover an initial loss of 2p to close unchanged at 144p following the failure to win the appeal against the loss of its licence. Coral recovered ip to 78p.

- Engineers were in a nervous mood after the latest break down in the talks aimed at resolving the steel strike.
Shares began to retreat 23 firms are known to be now-Serve stocks. GKN at 266p and Tubes at 284p led the way, with falls of 4p, as Vickers at 122p and Hawkers at 170p, both

A further batch of good figures from componies reporting gave another refreshing pocket of interest to dealers.

23/5

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Year's total 17.5(6.33) 3.85(3.4) -1.4(1.6) 4.79(3.6)

3.0(2.21)

17.43(12.9) 6,7(5.6)

57p and Transport Berein 31p to 70p. Bur the seffect on HFV, 5p off and Sale Tilmey, 4p sec

211p. Recent reports from e. indicate that Gulf Stream sources's 10 per cent still may well value the compa filo a share. Latest esti-show that the field is prod 53.8m cu ft of gas a day, of lent to the world's largest the Groningen. The shares

Electricals had a 1 appearance, but still resadly neglected with very trading. Racal took a farther oway from its 290-brink, rising ip to 200p as improved 3p to 374p, and encountered profit-taking 4p to 185p as did MAE off at 138p. But Hoover its own at 140p after the man's buillish annual state artier in the week.

Gestetner "A" were after Thursdoy's pressment, rising 3p to 79p.

Mining shares were nervous on the latest 1 the buillon price, down 5555.5 an ounce which increased tension with lators aftered that their profits might soon be all Electricals had r

profits might soon he all This led for an ext sensitive session as price decline in precious metal cons Gold falling 20p it seems of the RTZ 13p to 373p and Berry D'rd \$5/16 lower at \$91.3 burg dropped another 238p.

was £110,918m (13) pains) Active stocks, according to the 1 relegraph, were Ultis Shell, BATs, Burns

Schroders raises dividend

By Roman Eisenstein Banking Correspondent

Schroders, the merchant banking group, yesterday dis-closed profits of £6.6m after tax and transfer to inner reserves of its banking sub-sidiary. This compares with £4.94m in 1978.

The dividend has been lifted by 35 per cent to 17.4p a share and the board proposes a onefor-one scrip issue by the capitalization of £7.85m from the group's reserves. The relean extraordinary general meeting of sharebolders. The new will not rank for year's final dividend.

Profits from banking have ncreased from £3.85m to £4.6m with most of the increase com-ing from the banking subsidiary profits from banking operations n Britain and Switzerland showed some increase, they were held back by higher costs and righter margins.

Non-banking profits almos doubled from £971,000 to

Options

The traded options market saw a little more activity yes terday, with the total number of contracts rising from 540 to

There was interest in BP, with 208 contracts on its results, while ICI saw 72 contracts. Consolidated Gold Fields and RTZ continued on the downward path, following the fall in metals prices, producing 87 and 37 con tracts respectively.

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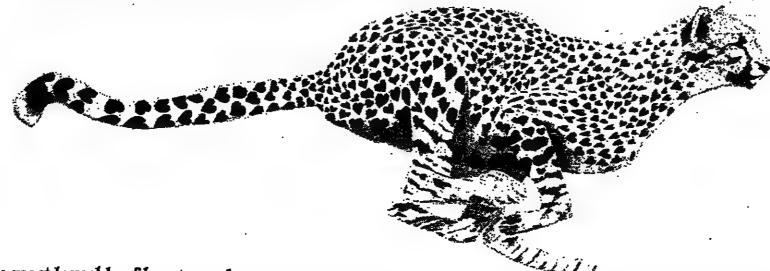
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	1979 - £m	1978 £m
Group sales	1,006.0	1,012.7
Trading profit	70.7	_62.0
Group profit before tax	57:3	48.2
Taxation	17.8	18.5
Dividends	14.3	12.6
Profit retained	23.2	3.6

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upport promised for investigation

e boards of Blue Circle Insure the future growth and ies and Armitage Shanks yesterday that they will ing suitable opportunities to increase the number of stores. They are also considering very closely possible acquisitions. s investigation of the proi merger of the companies.

I the hope of resolving the ton as soon as practicable?

companies were formally led of the investigation yes. y. Both boards believe that proposed merger continues in the best interests of firms and are anxious to ve the uncertainty of the ant Situation.

st month, Blue Circle (fory Associated Portland ant) claimed victory in its h-long struggle to take over mage, which was the last endent sanitaryware manu-rer in the United Kingdom. 30 per cent of the marker. Circle then held 61 per of Armitage's ordinary

cers Stores fident

the annual meeting of ra Household Stores ds), the chairman reported trading for a few weeks a second quarter was somether but the second control of the s flat but taking into ideration the present eco-ic conditions, he was confi-tiat the helf-year results as end of March world show is end of March would show property development in which isonable increase in profits. certain directors have know-board would hope to ledge and experience.

The total value of the consideration to be paid by ATH increased capital for 1880, is 12,34m, of which \$1.88m is the firm's cash deposits have attributable to Learmonth and like time grown to around \$1467,500 to County. The confirmant, The board are sideration for the purchase of the requirement avest, such moneys, to en both companies will be satis total gross dividend is being

Sutton Water offer over twice covered

Sutton Destrict Water's offer for sale by tender of £3m 10 per cent, redeemable preference stock, 1983, attracted applica-tions for £7.24m of stock. The lowest price to receive a partial allotment was £98.81. The average price obtained was Dealings will start money.

Assam Trading plans to 20 into property

Assam Trading (Holdings)
Limited ("ATH") has agreed conditionally to acquire Learmonth Property Investment and County Properties. Following the run-down of ATH's Indian interests, ATH's main interest at present is a 38.27 per cent shareholding in McLeod Russel and Co. The directors have been considering ways in which to develop ATH which would both benefit the members of the company and also balance the company and also balance th ecompany's dependence on the holding in McLeod Russel. It was felt that ATH's best prospect lay in property and property development in which

ATH. The consideration for the purchase of 100,000 convertible participating preference shares of County will be £130,000 in.

The capital of Learmonth is owned by Broadland Properties, a company which is controlled by two directors of ATH, Mr John Malcolm Guthrie and Mr John Guthrie, and their associates. An extraordinary general meeting will be held and the votes attaching to the beneficial stockholding in ATH of these two directors and members associated with them amounting to 184,897 " A " stock units and 327,521 " B " stock units (representing in aggregate 55.6 percent of the voting capital) will not be exercised on the resolution relating to the acquisition of Learmonth. If the acquisitions are approved, Broadland and associates will hold 64.8 percent of the voting capital of ATH.

LMS's \$12m property sale in Canada

London Merchant Securities has completed the sale, for Can\$12.4m (£4.76m) in cash, of a property in Toronto, Canada, which has been held as an investment for 19 years. The price produces an appreciable surplus over book cost and reinvestment of the proceeds

Premium income in the industrial branch was up from 631.78m to £41,35m, in the ordinary branch from £17.62m to £19.75m, while fire and eccident was up from £5.92m to £8.58m.

Best-ever first half for Nelson David

Reporting a 75 per cent improvement in pretax profit to a record £84,000 in the first half to September 30, 1979, Mr David Cooper, chamman of Nelson David Ltd, says the directors are optimistic that the 12-month total will not be less than last year's peak £169,198.

Turnover of Nelson Davidnew, and used car and commercial vehicle distributors and repairers in England and Wales -expanded by 18 per cent to £4.95m. The directors point out that although provision has again been made, no corporation tax was payable on the profits for the year to March 31, 1979. They consider that owing to the availability of stock relief and losses brought forward, it is unlikely that corporation tax will become payable for the year to March 31, 1980.

Back to profits at Newey Group

Smallware manufacturers, Newey Group, managed to achieve a profit, before tax. of £243,000 last year, against 1978's loss of £395,000. Turnover rose from £13.48m to £15.26m. There is no ordinary dividend; all the ordinary capital is held by William Prym-Werks.



Mr G. R. Chandler, chairman and managing director of Henlys, said at the annual general meeting that trading had picked up since the

turn of the year.

However, he added, the interim figures, taking account of the poor start to the year, would not by any means approach those of the corresponding six months.

Mr Chaudler is pictured (right above) with Mr D. A. Corps, a director. Short-term borrowing rates were still causing

said Mr Chandler although the concern. said Mr Chandler although the financial and sales support package recently presented by BL to the network would help The group, he said, had an important property dis-investment programme in hand and about finance charges played a significant part in our results," said Mr Chandler, "and, in common with the rest of British industry, we can only hope for some alleviation in the near future."

Restro wins bid for Polly Peck

Group Results for the Year to 31st December 1979

By Our Financial Staff Restro Investments, Jersey-based private group, has succeeded in its takeover bid for

Earnings per Ordinary Share:

Working capital at 31st December 1979

Long term loans at 31st December 1979

Operating Results

Oil and gas well's completed (in which the

Group has varying interests)

Gross wells drilled

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Polly Peck (Holdings), the clothesmaker and retailer. Barclaye Merchant Bank announced yesterday that it had received acceptances
2.913.592 million shares.

tor respectively.

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which 2.9 million were held by price jumped ahead from 7.1p Mr and Mrs Raymond Zelker, at the time of the bid to a high chairman and managing direction of nearly 23p.

It is believed that Mr Derek takings to accept the 9p a share also gave an irrevocable, underoffer when it was made last taking for his 1 per cent stake,
month, although Mr Zelker later also accepted the Restro offer
told other shareholders not to yesterday after the announceaccept the offer after the share ment was made.

Overseas turnround at Nu-Swift Industries

By Our Financial Staff Fire extinguisher group, Nu-Swift Industries increased turnover by 14 per cent to £12.5m and profits by 20 per cent to £1.06m in 1979.

A breakdown of the figures shows overseas turnover rose from £3.1m to £3.8m and United Kingdom turnover from £7.9m to £8.65m. United Kingdom profits rose slightly from £1m to £1.05m but the real turnround came from overseas where a £122,000 loss was turned into a £11,000 profit.

In addition, a property revaluation has thrown up a freehold land and building surplus of £1.14m and a plant, machinery and equipment sur-plus of £1.15m to give a total asset increase of 11.43p per

Mr Ivan Door, the chairman, comments that the year started with a serious national disrup-tion and included in the third quarter a "futile engineering industry confrontation". The engineering dispute cost the equivalent of three full

weeks production and just over \$100,000 in lost profits. This was followed by squeeze on margins, due to higher interest rates and infla tion, as well as exporting prob-

sterling.
This year started with an order book of just over \$1m. 20 per cent up on the orders at the beginning of last year. Total dividends for the year come to 2.93p gross against 2.5p last

lower than 1978 because of the reduced

impact on Group results of earnings

Ittramar Company Limited

Norldwide perations Pontribute to RESS'record resul

reliminary Announcement of 1979 Group Results

ummary of Financial Results		1979 £ million	1978 £ million	Increase £ million
ales perating profit before taxation perating profit after taxation et Profit ash flow from operations apital expenditures		1001.7 75.4 45.3 46.8 86.3 40.0	595.1 37.7 14.1 8.6 31.6 45.6	406.6 37.7 31.2 38.2 54.7 (5.6)

It was a record year for the Ultramar Group. ales revenue for the first time exceeded one illion pounds. Cash flow from operations was 86,300,000 and the operating profit before exation was £75,400,000. After deducting 30,100,000 for taxation and adding £1,500,000 f gains on foreign exchange fluctuations, the et profit for 1979 was £46,800,000, it should e pointed out that most of the earnings were า U.S. and Canadian dollars. When converted o sterling, the results are adversely affected ecause of the strength of sterling. The 1979 let profit was after writing off £15,500,000 of emaining unamortised exploration costs in ran where we have ceased operations.

All of the major divisions of the Ultramar iroup contributed to the excellent results. aeographically, profits and cash flow were vell spread, with the Indonesian operation contributing about 35-per cent of the total. in: astem Canada, we were unable to acquire sufficient crude oil for our projected refinery uns and were therefore obliged to cut back on our volume of product sales. However, higher product prices and our emphasis on naximising operating margins gave us mproved profits in Canada in the second half.

Capital expenditures for 1979 were 240,000,000 of which the major portion was spent on exploration and development in ndonesia, the North Sea and Western Canada. Dur drilling programme, especially in ndonesia, was successful and there have: been substantial additions to our oil and gas eserves. An announcement of the finalisation of contracts for expansion of the Bontang NG Plant by doubling the capacity is expected shortly.

An interim dividend of 5p per Ordinary Share was paid on 9th November 1979. We will recommend at the Annual General Meeting on 3th May 1980 that a final dividend of 10p per Ordinary Share be paid out of 1979 profits. This dividend will be paid on 9th May 1980 to Ordinary Shareholders registered at the close of business on 8th April 1980.

We expect another good year in 1980. Predictions are always hazardous and we have to recognise that political upheavals, run-away inflation or arbitrary actions by Governments A STATE OF THE STA

can upset even the best of plans. However, we have a broadly based business, a sound financial position and a strong management.

Beyond 1980 we shall need to obtain access to additional and sizeable quantities of oil produced in Western Canada if we are to earn a fair return on our large refining and marketing investments in Eastern Canada. We will also redouble our efforts to find new sources of crude oil, especially in the U.K. North Sea. In the forthcoming Seventh Round, we have joined a number of separate groups to apply for licences on blocks in the various areas being offered.

The bulk of our present capital expenditures will not have a great impact on profits until 1983, when the expanded LNG plant in Indonesia will be on stream, the North Sea Maureen Field will be on full production and other capital expenditure programmes will have been completed.

Proposed Share Distribution

It is proposed to recommend to Ordinary Shareholders a Share distribution. At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting a resolution will be submitted for an issue to Ordinary Shareholders of one Ordinary Share. of 25p credited as fully paid for each Ordinary Share of 25p held at the close of business on 8th April 1989.

Upon issue the Shares will rank pari passu with existing Ordinary Shares but will not rank for the final dividend to be declared at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. The distribution will be provided by capitalising a sum drawn from the share premium account.

Share certificates, which will be renounceable up to and including 6th June 1980 will be posted on 9th May 1980. Application will be made for listing of the shares and it is expected that dealings in London will commence on 12th May 1980.

Annual Meeting

The Report and Accounts for 1979 and the Chairman's Statement will be issued on 17th April 1980. The Annual General Meeting will be held at 11 a.m. at Winchester House, 100 Old Broad Street, London EC2N 1BU on Friday 9th May 1980.

13th March 1980

Campbell Nelson Chairman

Consolidated Profit and Loss Ad	count	1979 £ million		1978 £ million	
Sales		£1,001.7		£595.1	
Profit on tracing Amortisation, depreciation, depletion.		100,4		50.2	
and amounts written off Elimination of remaining unamortised costs in Iran	15.5 · 15.5	31.0	125	12.5	. :
Control of the state of the sta		78.4	•	37.7	
Operating profit before taxation Taxation on operating profit (Note 6) Current Deterred	15.6 14.5		18.2 10.4	ora.	
		38.1		23.8	
Operating profit after traution. Foreign exchange fluctuations - gains/ficeses) (Note 2)		1.5		14.1 (5.5)	
Net Profit Dividends		48.8		8.6	
Convertible Recleemable Preferred Shares Ordinary Shares - Interim 5p per share - Final 10p per share	6.9 2.3		1.0		
Advance Corporation Tax written off	3.4	11.2	0.8	1.8	
Earnings retained for the year		235.8		25.8	
Cash flow from operations		E28.3		231,5	

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Consolidated Statement of So Application of Funds	urce and		21.53.639	estated) 1978 nillion	
Source of Funds From operations:		•	,		Notes
Operating profit after texation Amortisation, depreciation, depletion and amounts	i	45.3		14.1	Group operating profits are largely in U.S. and Canadian dollars.
written off		31.6		125	2 The gain on foreign exchange
Deferred taxation on trading profits.		14.5		10.4	fluctuations of £1.5 million during 1979
Indonesian debt service equalisation (Note 4) Loss on sale of fixed assets	•	(4.5)		(6.9) 1.5	ralates almost entirely to long term loans of individual companies repayable over the years to 1993.
Cash flow from operations		86.3	_	31.8	3 Translation and conversion exchange rates used by the Group are:
From other sources: Shares Issued during the year		1.0		0.2	31st Dec. 31st Dec. 1979 1978
Long term loans raised		5.4		19.6	1 equals U.S.\$ 2.22 2.04
Proceeds on disposal of fixed assets		1.9		20	£1 equals Can.\$ 259 242
Net current assets of subsidiaries acquired		=		12.2	U.S.\$1 equals Cart.\$ 1.17 1.19 1.63 1.63
		. £94.6	-	265.5	. The Group's entitlement to income into indonesian LNG sales is included in
					the profit and loss account after
Application of funds	•	•	•		deducting transportation, liquefaction
Acquisition of subsidiary companies		3.4		22.6	costs, and debt service on the loans
Additions to fixed assets		36.6		. 23.0	mised by Perterning to finance the whole of the construction cost of the Badak
		4	· · · -		LNG Plant, which is operated on a break-
Capital expenditures		40.0	` •	45.6	even basis, in order to match income with
Portion of long term debt due within one year Miscellaneous Items		9.6 6.8		48.	_ these deductions, the Group's
Periodolina inorio (metro		ų.s		1.6	entitlement is adjusted to reflect an equal annual charge for debt service, rather
		50.4	-	52.0	than the uneven repayment schedule
		24.4		22,0	established for the loans, all of which are
Convertible Redeemable Preferred Shares dividend					repayable within a 12-year period starting in 1977, Effectively, therefore, the cost of
including Advance Corporation Tax £399,000					the plant will be fully amortised by the
(1978, £516,000)	1.	2	1.5		end of 1989.
1979 Interim Ordinary Shares dividend including					5 The Statement of Standard
Advance Corporation Tax 2996,000	Jen 11 . 3	3	·		Accounting Practice 15 (SSAP 15) relating
1979 Final Ordinary Shares dividend			F-4		to accounting for delened taxation has
(payable May 1980) including Advance			- NA -		been adopted by the Group for
Corporation Tex £1,882,000	6.	6	-		accounting periods commencing on 1st January 1979 and the accounts for 1978
All the second of the second o		11.2		1.5	have therefore been restated. The effect
increase in working capital		33.0		12.1	of the change is to increase the earnings
		951.0	-	285.6	for the year by \$2.1 million (1978, reduce
		294.6		2.00.0	earnings by \$2.1 million).
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THE COMPANIES ACT 1948
TOM STACEY LIMITED
NOTICE 18 HARRENY CIVEN.
PURSUANT 10 SECTION 20 of the
Companies Act 1948 that a Meeting
at the Creditors of the above-named
Company will be held at Winchester Hunse, Old Broad Street,
London EC2 on the 16th day of
April 1980 at 12 o'clock noon for
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COMPANY MEETING NOTICES

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Notice is hereby eives that the
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LOCAL AUTHORITY BILLS

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Briefly

Stewart & Wight: Profit for half-year to Sept 29, 52,229 (f.11.812) before depreciation and tax esti-mated at £1,541 (£5,155). Figures for 1978 not true comparison.

profits for half-year to June 30, 1979. Tose from £133,000 to £208,000. Van Diemen's Land Co: Company is now proceeding with fore-shadowed scrip Issue of nine " A " shares for each " A " heid.

Paringa Mining and Exploration:
Board reports that on company's
United Kingdom register 1.63m
shares were taken up by shareholders to whom they were provisionally allotted under rights
issue, leaving balance of 189,000
shares available to applicants for
additional shares. In United Kingdom 255 applications were redom. 525 applications were re-ceived for 2.2m additional shares.

T. Clarke: Turnover for 1979, 512.82m (£12.35m). Pretax profits, £476,000 (£357,000). Total dividend raised from 1.4p to 2p, gross.

Ladies Pride Outerwear: Chairman reports in his annual statement that the Wyndale Gown acquisition has now been integrated into the production force, though not without considerable cost of training and re-training of operatives. Findhoru Finance: Turnover for six months to Jan 31 up from 5473,000 to £775,000. Profit, after tax, £85,000 (£55,000). Interim payment raised from 5p to 5.5p.

International Energy Bank: Pre-tax profits for 1979, £3.38m (£2.47m).

Mainline Electronics: Lloyds Bank notifies that it is holding 342,500 ordinary shares in name of Lloyds Bank City Office Nominess designated "NW" account as nominees of its customers, Norton Warbury Cartar Breed Ltd (5.05 per cent). Maple (Holdings): An announcement was made on March 2, 1980, rejecting proposals received from the board of another company for an offer for the share capital of Maples. To clarify the position regarding this approach, the board of Maples announced yesterday that it had no reason to believe that the noterful offerer was not that it had no reason to believe that the potential offerer was not contemplating patting forward further proposals. Should the board of Maples be informed by the potential offerer that it has no further interest in making an offer for Maples, it will inform share-bolders.

Nord-Est SA: Net profit, 20.71m francs (656.43m franc loss) in 1979. Total dividend 3.15 francs (all), (Company was formerly called Denain Nord-Est Longwy SA.)—Reuter, Paris.

Marine Wendel SA: Profit, after write-offs but before adjustment for provisions, 8.67m francs in first half year. (No comparison because of alterations in account-ing period).—Reuter, Peris.

Barclays Credit Corp: 150 por cent-owned by Barclays Bank International) reports pretax pro-fits for half-year to January 31 of \$A3.79m (against \$A3.48m). Total assets, \$A319.65m (\$A304.9m).

Ultramar doubles forecast dividend

Television strike hits

Wales

Harris & Sheldon Group

profits increase by 12 pc

Harris & Sheldon Group, the at 56p.

Webley air rifle to Antier After deducting tax of £1.5m, luggage company, increased compared with £1.4m last time,

HTV half-year profits

Ultramar's first year of cash dividend payments has been a bumper one. Pretax profits have doubled to £75.4m and the final dividend is twice the forecast level to give a total of 21.4p gross for the year to December 31. Gold & Base Metal Mines : Pretax

On the back of higher oil prices, which helped improve margins throughout the group. sales rose from £595m to just over £1,000m. The pretax profit was struck after charging £15.5m amortization and depreciation costs, compared with £12.5m in 1978 and there was

also a once-off £15.5m write-off against the remaining unamortized exploration costs in Iran. Adding back the Iranian write-off and £14.5m of deferred tax, cash flow from operations increased from £31.6m to £86.3m. Of this, £40m was swallowed up by capital spend-

Merger

By Rosemary Unsworth

The board of Status Discount the kitche nand bedroom furm

ture retailer, called for a halt in the share dealings yesterday as they entered discussions about a possible merger of the

The shares were suspended at 69p which gives a market capitalisation of 127.6m and the

group's financiall advisers,
Robert Fleming, said that a funther announcement would be
made as soon as possible.
The suspension was no great

surprise to the stock market as rumours have been circulat-ing for months about possible bids and changes in trading arrangements for the Hull-based

group. The most popular suitor

for Status is believed to be MFI Furniture Group as it has had close working links with Status for years and obtains much of

its kitchen furniture supplies

from Humber Kirchens, a

Jersey-based private company

whose chairman is the brother

of Status chairman Mr Edward

Healey. Humber also supplies Status. Analysis believe MF1

would have to pay about 120p

a shhare, piacing a £45m value

on the group.

Other possibilities include a link-up with W. H. Smith's recently acquired DIY Home

centres offshoot to open in-house stores for the sale of kir-

chen and bedroom furniture.
Donald McPherson, the paint
manufacturing group, has also

development in Indonesia, the North Sea and western Cauada. Financing higher oil prices, mainly in Canada, tied up a fur-ther 133m in working capital, but Ultramar still managed a madest reduction in long-term debt from £80.2m to £77.2m, although the strong pound reducing the strong value of dollar debt was a factor here.

The increase in profits was much greater at the net level because of the proportionately lower tax charge. Most of the current tax relates to Indonesia where corporation tax is levied at 56 per cent. However, Indonesia, where the profitable liquid natural gas operations are based, contributed only 35 per cent of group profits com-pared with 87 per cent in 1978. As a result post-tax profits rose from £8.6m to £46.8m and earnings a share were nearly at 9,800 barrels a day, remains

strike sliced into half-year profits at HTV, the independent

Furthermore all the group's

non-television activities except

its inter-group property and leasing operation turned in lower profits with the result

that the group taxable surplus for the half-year to January 31 was halved from £2.45m to £1.21m.

enue during the strike is re-flected in the 65 per cent drop

in television profits to 5507,000 after charging £900,000

By Our Financial Staff

contractor which serves and the West of England.



Mr Campbell Nelson, chairman of Ultramar.

six and a half times higher at 99.3p a share. Oil production, slightly higher

advertising revenue for the same period.

fell 5p to 91p yesterday after the aunouncement. At this level

ustet value per share comes out

gross makes a total payout for the year of 4.3p against 3.16p.

operations. Gas production was 7 per cent lower, but the grow-ing thirst for LNG from the Japanese should boost volume On the refining side of

volume was also down, reflect-ing the difficulties Ultramar has had in obtaining enough western Canadian crude for its Quebec refinery. The position improved in the second half of 1979 and a turnround of per-haps £20m from loss to profit in eastern Canada contributed significantly to the group increase in profits.

The return on capital in east-ern Canada is still poor, but Uhramar is confident of another, good year in 1980. A one-forone scrip issue is proposed. The shares, which were up 24p to 524p on the results, yield 4.1 per cent and sell on just over five years' stated earnings.

Operations halted at BCA

By Peter Wilson-Smith was roughly in line with the 17 Last year's 11-week television per cent fall in total network By Peter Wilson-Smith British Cargo Airlines, the freight carnier which went into The group's publishing and stationery activities included a seasonal loss from diaries and receivership last week owing more than £4m to the bank, has cessed operations from today.

Mr Peter Copp, one of the joint receivers from Stoy Hayward, said that the difficulties of continuing to operate in the pre-interest profits were down from £526,000 to £185,000. The fine art side, which includes Fros & Reed, also had a disappointing half with profits fall-ing by nearly a third from £404,000 to £273,000 on sales 18 company's current circum-stances had made it impossible

to continue. per cent lower at £1.16m.
HTV has maintained the interim dividend at 5p gross a share. The non-voting shares In particular, Mr Copp issued that some of the group's creditors might try to enforce their rights by impounding BCA air-graft. All the planes here now been grounded and most of the for the Exchequer levy compared with £2.80m.

Television turnover was 18 per cent lower at 511.2m, which the announcement At this level the yield is 15.7 per cent. Group profits for the whole per cent lower at 511.2m, which before tax.

BCA's air-cargo licence-issued by the Civil Aviation. Authority, may be withdrawn anyway, sithough yesterday the CAA would not confirm whether it had given BCA notice of withdrawal. Discussions are still continu-

ing with parties interested in continuing the business But it seemt unlikely that BCA will survive in its present form and liquidation looks inevitable. Given the extent of the group's liabilities, it is unlikely that there would be much left profits by 12 per cent and turn and extraordinary items of over by 10 per cent last year.

Pretax profits rose from £109,000, compared with £109,000 carnings per share £4.04m to £4.5m on turnover up from £41.1m to £45.4m.

The finel dividend of £.5p

Transport group maintains growtn

By Alison Mitchell Not even the interpretation transport strike earlier year could have profes ar Tansport Developmen ain's largest haulage give side of the state-owied a Freight Corporation: By the interim star group had almost made lost ground so that the

cent surge in the send months took full year profits £2.5m higher to Turnover for 1979 in from £219m to £248m. The group's largest a is road heulage, which to ted almost 50 per centof. Although it is being affer the steel strike, the ch. Mr James Duncan, reper it is too early to asse

extent.
Elsewhere, the storag warehousing and cold s improved its performing the plant hire and fact movel division also track

higher level. Although there was hiccup in the reinforcem exibitions side profits prove marginally and the man is looking for a ben this time round.

Overseas, the Australia sidiaries showed a sm However, the change year-end exchange rates ! verted this late a profit turn in sterling terms. ready up by almost a thin.
The balance sheet he helped by the £1.6m pr the sale of Transport b ment's near 12 per cent's United Carriers.

Although borrowings down at the year end to in interest rates has lifted cial charges to £3.2m.
The current year has well and profits show provement on last year what depressed early However, with the unstrike, the group is mal prediction for the ye figures.

to the revenue reserve and a This gives the shares at 381p. property revaluation threw up a up 24p yesterday, a yield of 11.1 surplus of £3.9m. The net per cent and a p/e ratio of 5.1 been mentioned a sa possible trading partner. ITT reports record revenues

International Telephone and Telegraph has reported record sales and revenues of \$22,000m

In 1979, passing the \$20,000m level for the first time. Earnings per share, excluding special charge of

International

\$320m, or \$2.32 a share, to communications technology, net stronger company not only in cover the closing of its Quebec income for the company de-pulp mill, increased by 7 per clined to \$381m from \$662m in

tent over 1978.

However, including the special charge, restructuring costs in Europe and the acceleration of investment in digital creased sales and a strength-

Thyssen confident of satisfactory earnings

Earnings of the Thyssen steel group are expected to be satisfactory in the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980, after an increase in consolidated net profits to DM167m in the last fiscal year from DM100m, according to Herr Dieter Spethmann, the chairman.

Herr Spethmann also said that the group's worldwide external sales in the current year were expected to rise about 10 per cent to above DM27,000m from Dm25,358m for the year ended last September. In the information of the claim of the chairman declined to make any exact profit projection for the current year, but said he was optimistic that satisfactory results would be achieved. He also declined to say whether Thyssen would increase its dividend

Montedison expects to end losses a year early

After a 256bn lire loss in 1978, Montedison SPA of Italy expects to close its 1979 accounts in balance.

The company's board meets next week to finalize 1979 accounts. Montedison had originally forecast that it would reach equilibrium only in 1980.

Montedison's debt rose by only just over 1 per cent last year, and the overall maturity the total trade under the agreement. year, and the overall maturity of debt was lengthened, indus-

of deor was rengineure, muni-try sources said.

The company is still negoti-ating with a prospective, and so far unidentified, American shareholder, who could take

the total trade under the agreement was expected to reach \$1.5bn, as the company has pledged to boost its imports from the Soviet Union of raw materials and

Sea Containers improves

The Sea Containers group has reported net income of \$27.9m for 1979, up 6 per cent over 1978, on revenues of \$162.8m, up 20 per cent. Net income per common share in 1979

Sea Containers Atlantic Sea Containers Atlantic reported a 77 per cent gain in net income to \$22.7m, but the earnings of Sea Containers Inc declined to \$5.2m from \$13.5m. Mr James B. Sherwood, president of both companies, said: "We have decided to sell approximately 14 vessels and we expect the sale proceeds to we expect the sale proceeds to yield \$100m. The sales will stretch over the entire year

Optimism at OPC

and will be dependent upon our achieving satisfactory prices. We have received serious inquiries or offers for all 14 ships. The group expects to realize a capital gain from

'Efforts to conclude the fleet replacement programme for United States Lines, are continuing", he added. "Offers have now been received for the required 14 very large, gearless container vessels and we are endeavouring to conclude a financing package satisfactory to the customer. We hope to make a formal announcement on this matter by May 29."

Despite the embargo on phosphate sales to Russia, 1980
profits for Occidental Petoroleum's agricultural products should be higher than in 1979, Mr Donald L. Eaeder, president of Occidental 's Hooker Chemical of \$561.7m, or \$7.30 a share.

ened balance sheet", Mr Rand V. Araskog, chairman, presi-dent and chief executive, said. "Last year we made critical decisions to ensure growth and profitability momentum. These decisions will result in Mr Araskog noted that all five of ITT's principal business groups reported record sales and revenues and that at year-end 1979 ITT had an order backlog of a record \$7,700m.

The adoption of SSAP 15 resulted in \$4.4m being released

Honeywell

Honeywell of Minneapolls says it expects a decline in first anys it expects a decline in first quarter earnings from the year-earlier \$2.75 a share, which in-cluded tax credits of 8 cents. The company said that in-coming orders remained strong in the first two months this year, but higher labour and material costs reduced its

margins. In releasing 1979 earnings in January Honeywell said quar-terly earnings this year might not show gains over comparable 1979 quarters and added that first-half comparisons with last year's strong first half would be especially difficult.

Norske Creditbank

Den Norske Creditbank of Norway showed a net profit of Kr127m (about £102m) in 1979. The balance sheet total was Kr17.4bn (up 15.6 per cent). Dividend is 12 per cent (11

Svenska Taendsticks Group profit of Svenska Taendsticks of Stockholm, before transfers to and from special reserves and before tax, amounted to Kr228m (about

Sales were Kr5.91bn (Kr5.39bn). The parent company dividend is Kr6 (Kr5). Kr5.91bn

Hochtief Construction The West German construction firm. Hochtief AG says the value of group construction activities in 1979 rose by 16 per

cent to DM5bn. An interim report said it will pay an appropriate dividend on its results and raise its reserves but gave no details. Export activities rose by 13 per cent to DM2.65bn and yielded a satisfactory result.

Profits on domestic business improved last year but remained unsatisfactory in relation to the value of construction work which rose a nominal 19 per cent to DM2.34 showing real growth of 9 per cent.

Revion-Brazil link

Mr Milan Panic, chairman of ICN Pharmaceuticals, has announced that the company has reached agreement in prin-ciple to sell its Brazilian operations to Revion. The amount of the cash transaction was not disclosed. Mr Panic reported that the proposed transaction is a further step in the redirection and restructuring of ICN.
ICN 'Pharmaceuticals is a multi-national health care com-

Serious problem at paper group

East Lancastire Paper Group increased profits from £1.45m to £1.6m on turnover up from £28.6m to £34.4m in 1979. But the figures were achieved in spite of serious problems with the Waldorf stationery sub-

deteriorsted further during the second half and substantially eroded the group's profits.
This has led to a drastic rationalization programme" being put into effect this year at Waldorf, almed at eliminating the low-margin, bulk greet-ing card business and con-centrating on the profitable

sidiary. The position there

activities. This will cause redundancies but the board says they are convinced it is the only way to create the potential for a suc-

cessful business when condi-tions improve."

This year has started badly for papermaking with the market recently turning flat. But plant and process modernization has gone shead.

The tax charge falls from £446,000 to £218,000 and after

minorities and an extraordinary charge of £233,000, the attributable profit is £1.15m against £886,000, to give earnings per share of 21.10, against 16.3p.

The final dividend is 4.47p gross, making a total for the year of 6.8p, against 5.26p. The shares at 67p, up 1p yesterday, thus yield 10.1 per cent and sell at-3.2 times stated earnings.

Business appointments Ocean names executive

directors Mr N. C. F. Barber, Mr R. J. Gooseman and Mr K. Wright have become executive directors of Ocean Transport & Trading. Their existing responsibilities within Ocean will remain unchanged.

Mr John Crookshank is to be made publishing director of Auto-

Mr B. C. Sellars is now director of administration of the National Bus Company on the retirement of Mr R. St C. Sandali.

Mr Peter Brazier has become managing director of John Willmott (London).

Mr Nigel Blackham has joined the board of EPC Business Forms (Colls & Rolls) as Enancial director.

Mr L. O'Reilly has been made Mr L. O'Reilly has been made managing director of Eastern Computer Services. Mr Colin Read and Mr Keith Jolly have become directors of the company.

Mr Kevin Corcoran, managing director of Associated Engineering, Aftermarket Sub-Group, has succeeded Mr H. M. Good, joint managing director of Ferodo as chairman of the British Automotive Parts Promotion Council.

Mr David J. Joll has been made processing director of Bernard Mitthews.

Mr Robert J. Cleaver has been appointed a director of Chantry-

appointed a director of Chantry Reys Educted.

For shareholders there per cent rise in the fu dividend at 6.07p. The rose 3 p to 70 p when yield 8.6 per cent and t 6.5 times fully taxed ear for shareholders at the end of the day.

Preliminary Announcement of Results for the year Ended

31st Decemb	er, 1979	
	1979 £'000	197 £'00
Turnover	51,474	42,79
Earnings before Tax and Interest	2,999	3,62
Interest Payable 7	1,613	802
Earnings before Tax	1,386	2,825
Earnings after all charges and taxation	548	1,340
Dividends	446	37₺~
Earnings per Share	5.845	44.00rs

In addition-to the well known-industrial problems of 1979, Interest charges were £800,000 higher than the 🛬 previous year.

In December the formalities were concluded and a newsjoint venture company, Brambles Crouch Ltd. was inaugurated in Sydney, Australia.

in the U.K. we have been successful in obtaining Cadgerhall Site in Scotland for £15m, to mine 1.2m. tonnes of good quality bituminous coal. In the U.S. coal deliveries for the first two months are

50% higher than budget and the operations are running Dividend Recommended final 3.1158p per share making total for

the year of 4.5951p per share. Copies of the Annual Report can be obtained from The Secretary at Peterborough PE6 7UW.

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Record profit

1978 Increasi Year to November 2000 18.7% Profit before tax 2,182 -1,841 Shareholders' funds 3,961 7,790 64.0% Earnings per share 38.7p 23.6p

> Extracts from the statement by Mr. R. A. P. King, Chairman:--

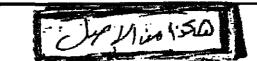
Dividend

Payment of a final dividend of 3.6p per share is being recommended on the ordinary share capital. With the interim dividend total payments are 6.75p per share (1978 equivalent—5.6306p per share),

Future Prospects

Against a background of the many uncertaintles at home and abroad, I find it impossible to make any but the most general and cautious forecast for this year. Whilst our engineering division will continue to expand satisfactorily, the food division will inevitably feel the effects of the unfavourable climate in the grocery trade. Overall, however, I expect that the Group will continue to make reasonable progress.

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Count irket Wall Street market was basically in sur-vesterday. This did not fully at surface level, however, New York, March 13.—Stock prices eased in active trading this morning. Declines led advances by a small margin and the Dow Jones industrial average lost a fraction.

Guif Oil lost i to 465. Yesterday it said it would ask shareholders to authorize the issue of up to \$100m preferred shares. Active Alaska Interstate dipped it o 405.

E. F. Hutton began an offering of 722,000 shares of Alaska Interstate common at \$41.50 apiece.

British Petroleum gained 11 to 325. It reported a nearly four-fold rise in 1979 profit.

March 12: The Dow Jones industrial average closed 6.31 points down at \$19.54. the Bank of England gave scale help via the direct purof Treasury bills and local
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Gold up \$11
New York, blarch
NY Comex closed at the end of the day, it looked ough bank balances might be sugh bank balances might be forward to today in a fairly tare. Along with other plus a expected to be at work to the market may therefore not much difficulty in coping the drain of £215m repred by the 21½ per cent call reasury 12½ per cent, 2003/05.

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Accounts prepared under provision of SSAP15.

RENTOKIL GROUP LIMITED

Preliminary Announcement

1979 £60,440,000 £73,207,000 Group turnover Group profit before tax £13,022,000 £10,559,000 £5,972,000 £6,913,000 Group profit after tax 6.31p Earnings per share Dividends Interim paid November 1979 (8.5%) with tax 10.746 12.143% credit of 3.643%) Final proposed payable 8th May 1980 (14% with 16.429 20.000% tax credit of 6° .) 27.175% 32.143%

These figures exclude exchange differences (debits) of £1,194,000 (1973 : £273,000) on trenslation into sterling of over-eas not assets. Share register struck for dividend 2nd April, report and accounts to shareholders 14th April, amusi general meeting 7th May at Felcouri, East Grinstead, West Sussex.

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Italian steel record Italy's steel output was a record 2.26 million ronnes in February, a 12.8 per cent increase from February, 1979. Production for 1980 is expected to exceed the previous year levels.

Tin buffer stock price range up

The International Tin Council yesterday raised its buffer stock price range to 1,650 to 2,145 ringgit (Malaysian dollars) per picul from 1,500 to 1,950 ringgit, effective immediately. It increased the middle price sector, within which the buffer stock manager may operate on the market only on special authorization from the council, to 1,815 to 1,880 ringgit from 1,850 to 1,800 ringgit. 1.980 ringgit from 1,650 to 1,800 ringgit.

The price range sets the levels at which the buffer stock buys and sells tin on the market in an attempt to stabilize prices, but market levels are currently well above the ceiling of the range. The Penaus price yesterday was 2,377 ringgit.

The buffer stock has not been in operation since January, 1977, when it ran out of in and prices rose above the ceiling level at the time.

Foreign exchange report

MADE.—US/French: March. April. El 17 trans-hipmeni ess South African white Unguotes African Fellow: April. £70.00.

a fall in trade-weighted sterling to 72.2 from 72.5 stemmed from the dollar's strength. After a "low" of 2.2170, the pound atentually closed at 2.2230 against the dollar, over a cent down on Weduesday night's 2.2345.

The D-mark dipped to 1.8210 from 1.8070 against the dollar, Swiss franc fell to 1.7435 (1.7280), and French francs to 4.2475 (4.2260). The yen was at 247.95 (prev 247.35). The dollar encountered wide-spread demand yesterday parily in anticipation of a strong anti-inflation package from President curter abead of the weekend, and also reflecting current high US interest levels and firmer Euro dollar rates. dollar reces.

Although losing ground to the dollar, the pound did not perform too badly. Modest gains were ground over most continentals, and

Sterling Spot and Forward



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Diesel turbo version of the Peugeot 604

tor to Ziebart, one of the leading specialist rustproofing companies, thinks that too many manufacturers actually encourage rust by leaving vulnerable areas exposed. This particularly applies to the front wings where, he says, some 60 per cent of serious corrosion occurs.

The best service a car manufacturer can offer the customer is to design corrosion out. BL, for instance, has enclosed all wheel arches on the Rover and uses plastic liners on the Princess. But there are still many cars with their front wing areas open."

As for treatments applied to new cars on the line, Mr Smith says that their effectiveness has to be judged by the time spent. The Ziebart process, which claims to be comprehensive, takes four hours and a manufacturer cannot pretend to give the same protection in a few

Ziebart reckons that even

best on-line treatments will be only a fifth as effective as its process, partly because the area of metal covered is so much less. "Often", Mr Smith says, "the little that is done only serves to encourage corrosion more quickly in the nonprotected areas ".

Nevertheless, manufacturers are more concerned about rust than they were 10 years ago and the standard of preventive treatment has risen. Electrophoretic processes ensure 100 per cent coverage of paint; plastic sealing compounds are applied to metal joints and wax is injected into boxed sections. Chip-resistent material is used on sills, wheel arches and the floor pan.

Ford has introduced improved rust protection methods into all its European plants after studying corrosion on 4,500 cars (of various makes), and a growing number of manufacturers offer guarantees

against corrosion. The latest to do so is Lancio, which, like other Italian makes, notably Fiat and Alia Romeo, has had a particularly bad record in this field.

All new Lancia cars now get special protection treatment which is applied in Britain before delivery to the customer and is guaranteed for six years. A condition of the warranty is that retreatments are carried out at 23 and 42 months, for which the owner has to pay. The total cost is around \$50.

Renault cars are treated at a plant in Le Harve before being shipped over. They carry a five-year guarantee, subject, as in Lancia's case, to two interim inspections and whatever retreatment is necessary. The cost to the owner is about £80. Volkswagen is prepared to give a six-year warranty on its on-line protection and makes no charge for further work.

These manufacturer warranties usually carry limitations, Lancia's, for instance covers "major struc-tural areas" but not the doors. Volkswagen will deal only with rusting through from inside the car and not rust that can be attributed to damage or neglect. The main limitation on Fiat's guarantee is that it lasts only two years, before, indeed, rust may have started to

The new car buyer unimpressed by such schemes can go to a rust-proofing specialist like Ziebart, Protectol (formerly Endrust) and Bodyshield (to name the three that have been awarded the Automobile Association's Seal of Approval on comprebath the process and its application). They would claim to do a gives.

more thorough job than the manufacturer and charge more for it. The Ziebart average is £120 a car but the guarantee runs for 10 years.

According to Ziebart research, about 21 per cent of new cars and commercial rehicles now undergo a specialist rustproofing treatment. For the private car owner it makes most sense if he is likely to keep his vehicle, for however good the treatments, they have little effect on second-hand prices.

The uses of turbo

Hardly a week goes by without a mention of turbocharging in this column and to those tiring of the subject I can only say that it is a trend too important to ignore. Today I want to look at turbo in action by considering two different applications. Turbo is to do with posting the power of an engine by harnessing its exhaust gases to drive a turbine and the result, usually, is exceptional performance but not necessarily.

The Peugeot 604 uses turbo in

different role, to put back some of the power lost by fitting a diesel instead of a petrol engine. At the moment it is the only turbodiesel sold in Britain, for that matter in Europe, but Mercedes-Benz sells such a car in the United States and other manufacturers seem bound to follow. The point is that without turbo a large diesel car like the 604 would be unacceptably slow. With turbo, performance becomes adequate without greatly compromising the excellent fuel consumption that a diesel engine

The 604 uses a 2300cc four-cylinder unit, fitted with a Britishmade Garrett turbocharger in such a way as to provide high power at low engine speeds. Maximum torque is at only 2,000 rpm. Acceleration through the gears is not exceptional, 0 to 60 mph in seconds is little better than a Mini, but the turbo gives enough top-gear flexibility for most needs.

The turbo does not arrive with great surge, as it does on pure performance cars, but so discreetly as to go unnoticed but for the evidence of the speedometer. Indeed, the general level of refinement, except when the engine is pushed hard and becomes boomy, makes the car seem almost faster than it is. Apart from a suspicion of clatter at idling speed and, of course, that blueish smoke, it is easy to forget there is a diesel engine.

But the most impressive feature of the car is its fuel consumption, about 30 mpg in town and 34 on the open road. No petrol car of comparable size can remotely match those figures, which is why the turbodiesel is particularly relevant in the United States, where car manufacturers have to meet fuel consumption targets laid down by the Administration.

On the other hand, does the 604 meet the overall needs of the motorist when other costs are taken into

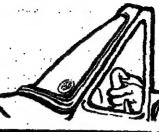
Both a diesel engine and a turbocharger add considerably to the price of the car. The Peugeot 604 turbodiesel, at £9,508, is almost £900 dearer than the equivalent petrol model. In addition, diesel fuel is about 10p a gallon dearer than petrol. It does not require complicated arithmetic to establish that the person buying the turbo-diesel has to do an exceptionally high mileage before the low fuel consumption begins to pay.

But Peugeot usually assesses the market correctly—if it did not it would not now be heading the bigbest car making group in Europe— and it is firmly convinced that turbodiesel is right for the times. Of total 604 production, 36 per cent are turbodiesels and in France they represent balf the model's sales. And if Britain has been slower to accept diesel than most big car markets, sales of diesel cars did rise by more than half last year, with Peugeor taking the biggest share.

The orthodox use of turbo is well represented by the Saab 900. Here the aim is performance first and last, the turbo effecting a dramatic increase in power which has the car bounding away like a horse from the stalls. And the car can be enjoyed without too much guilt about wasting fuel, for consumption considering the performance available, is modest at 22 to 29 mpg.

There are one or two reservations. The car seemed generally noisier than the petrol-engined 900 I drove recently and thanks to stiffer sus pension the ride was harder. And as the effect of the turbo is not fully felt until the engine is turning. over at about 3,000 rpm, the car has to be driven fairly hard to reap that benefit. It is, therefore, a vehicle for the enthusiast and at £10,300 an expensive buy.

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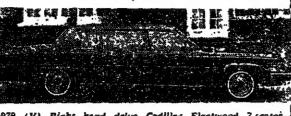
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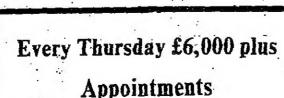
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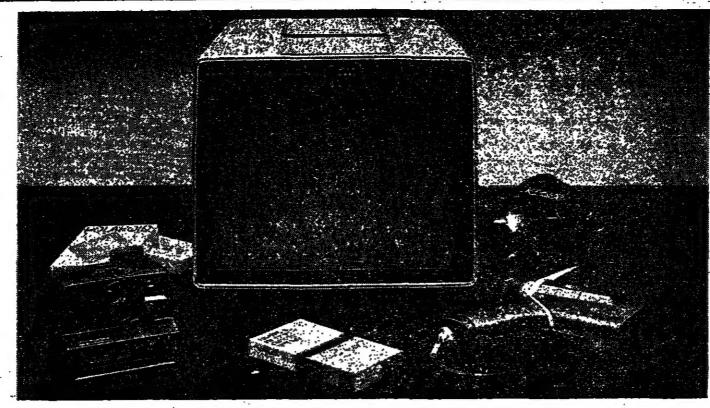
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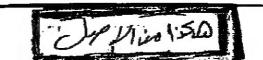
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ter Barkworth in today's Hi-Fi Theatre production of ter Shaffer's play Equus (Radio 4, 3.02, repeated next mday evening at 7.45)

Not only has Jim McDougall's film Sibonga: Name of Destiny BC 2, 8.30) been seen in the Midlands—it was made at the C's Pebble Mill studies and was screened locally last October but it has also been seen in Hongkong. Let me explain. It is story of three Vigtnamese refugee families, boat people, o were picked up by the British ship Sibonga. Taken mitially Hongkong, they were subsequently brought over to Britain, to ew life in a former RAF camp in Staffordshire. The United tions thought the film was such a fair representation of the th that it thought it should be shown to refugees still in the

th that it thought it should be shown to refugees still in the tish colony to prepare them for the resettlement problems it lay ahead. And that is what happened, Anyone locked away in the world of shyness with its pulation of one, should watch today's edition of After Noon is (ITV, 2.00), if only to learn how densely populated that rid really is. A misery shared is a misery halved, they say, I that would seem to be the therapeutic reasoning behind

I that would seem to be the therapeutic reasoning behind lay's item and the three previous ones on anger, jealousy and aration, all of which; I believe, brought heavy postbags to offices of Thames Television.
International Golf (BBC 2, 9.25) offer putative novices a e and painless method of sizing up the fabled Old Course at Andrews without making fools of themselves. They will nire instant wisdom from Jack Nicklaus, arguably the atest golfer of them all. As he trudges from hole to hole his partner Sean Connery, he explains how he won two ens on this very course. It is the first programme in a new ies of three, all from St Andrews. ies of three, all from St Andrews.

ies of three, all from St Andrews.
The timing of the televising of In Search of Alfred the Great
3C 2, 7.50) could scarcely be improved on. The current Vikings
ibition in London lays great stress on the artistic hand that
d the axe that split open the heads. In tonight's film, Michael
od opts for the more traditional view of the Viking as a
er and plunderer. To deny this, he says, is to deny the
icvement of Alfred in trouncing a numerically superior foe
I restoring learning and literary to the land they brutalized.
outnote: BBC 2 begins a 10-part series called Vikings I next
is The fact that it carries an alarming exclamation mark k. The fact that it carries an alarming exclamation mark st not be interpreted as providing a clue to its general reach which is anything but bloodthirsty.

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Broadcasting Guide

Edited by Peter Davalle

TELEVISION

BBC 1 6.40 am Open University: Deep sea drilling; 7.65 Two control prob-lems; 7.30 Nature of chemistry. Close down at 7.55.

9.05 Schools, Colleges: Encounter: Germany; 9.25 Athlete (Javelin); 9.52 Look and Read; 10.15 Manis-in-a-Box; 19.35 Going to Work (draft skills); 11.00 Hyn o Fyd (Welsh programme). 11.25 You and Me: I Feel Better

Now (r). 11.40 Schools, Colleges: Exploring science (afr); 12.05 pm Your own Business (working together). Close

down at 12.30.

12.45 News and weather.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One: The cost of putting the clock forward an hour. Also, travel choice.

1.45 Mister Men: The Story of Mr. Funny and Mr Messy (r).

Funny and Mr Messy (r).

2.02 Schools, Colleges: Scene (fans of stars like Presley and Valentino); 2.35 A Good Job with Prespects (local reporter). Close down

at 3.00.
3.20 Pobol y Cwm: Welsh Serial.
3.55 Play School: Mary Thompson's story Where's That Key?;
4.20 Secret Squirrel: Robot Rout
ir); 4.25 Jacksnory: Jenny Aguner
concludes Marjorie-Ann Watts's
The Mill House Cat; 4.40 Tarzan,

6.40 am Open University: Odilon Redon; 7.05 The nature of digital computing; 7.30 Man-powered air-craft. Closedown at 7.55.

11.00 Play School: Same as BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 11.25. 4.50pm Open University: Electro-lysis and oxidation; 5.15 Coal.

5.40 Flash Gordon: Final episode of this early space adventure serial Rocketing to Earth.*

6.00 Monkey: Seemingly endless Japanese-made China fautasies,

6.45 Delia Smith's Cookery Course:

o.45 Dena Smith's Cookery Coarse: Cheese—and the way it can trans-form so many dishes. Includes a film about Cheddar cheese and recipes for bruccoli cheese soufflé, Alpine eggs and orange cheese-cake.

9.30 am For Schools: Botanic Man

9.30 am For Schools: Botanic Man (David Bellamy); 9.57 Stop, Look, Listen (plastics); 10.19 Work; 10.27 It's Your Future (techno-logy); 10.48 Music Round (the Recorder); 11.19 Reading with Lensy; 11.22 Leapfrog (maths); 11.39 Believe it or not (violence and war).

and war).

11.55 Cartoon Time—Sneaking Peking; 12.00 A Handful of Songs: sung by Maria Morgan and Keith Field; 12.10 pm Once Upon a Time: Peter Davison and Black Theatre puppets.

12.30 The Television Programme: The fourth television channel: how it will work, what it will show. Presented by Peter Fiddick. Includes an interview with Brian Wenham, Convoller of BBC 2.

1.00 News, 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Together: An offer of another job for the warden of Rutherford

with English dialogue.

THAMES

BBC 2

Britain is represented by Jane Tor-Lord of the Jungle : Tarzan's Rival (r); 5.05 Rentaghost: Episode 3. The voice that sharters wood; 5.35 Paddington: Michael Bond's stories vill and Christopher Dean. 10.55 The Fall and Rise of Reginald permit: Episode 3 of this repeated comedy series with 5.40 News: With Peter Woods, 5.55 Leonard Rossiter running a community home.
11.28 News headlines.

Nationwide: Including Desmond Lynam on tonight's World Light-weight title fight (9.25). 11.30 Film: Such Dust as Dreams are Made On: Full-length pilot for the Harry O TV series shown as a ribute to its star, David Janssen, who died last month. Drama about 7.00 Young Maverick: Western series. Ben and Nell are involved in a bank hold-up, and Nell is taken

an ex-policeman who accepts an assignment from a man who shot him four years earlier. Film ends 7.50 Butterflies: The Wendy Craig domestic comedy series. Torught: She moves against fox hunters. 8.20 Breaksway: Episode 4 of the Regions Francis Durbridge thriller serial with Martin Jarvis as the detective. REGIONS

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9.00 News : With Peter Woods. 9.25 Sportsnight Special: An impressive double-decker edition.
Jim Watt, of Scotland, defends his world lightweight championship title against Charlle Nash (Northern Ireland); and the ice dance championship in the World Figure Skating Championships, from Dortmund, Favourites are Namiia Lluichuk and Gennadi Kar-

ponsov, of the Soviet Union. 7.10 Gardeners' World: Another visit to Clack's farm, Items on dwarf trees in tubs, a tomato growing competition and plants to grow with arrangements in view, 7.35 News: with sub-titles for the

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7.50 In Search of Altred the Great: Last in Michael Wood's fascinating series about pro-Norman Conquest England. (See Personal Choice.)
8.30 'Sibonga': Name of Destiny. Sibonga was the British ship that made headlines when it plucked many Vietnamese boat people out of the sea to safety. This film shows how three of the refugee families learned to settle down to the British way of life in the Midlands. (See Personal Choice.)
9.00 Pot Biack 80: Defending Pot

4.15 The Tomorrow People: Epi-sode 2 of Achilles Heel. The impuristic youngsters have just 10 minutes to save our galaxy. Final instalment of the adventure yarn;

4.45 Magpie: children's magazine. Giovanni and his beaded hair styles; stick insects as pets, and pop singer B. A. Robertson.

5.15 Emmerdale Farm: Amos's

5.45 News. 6.80 Thames News. 6.30 Thames Sport: Anchor man is Ronald Allison. With reports by Brough Scott and Allan Taylor.

7.00 pm The Muppet Show: The puppets' human guest is Doug Henning, the American illustonist.

Miss Piggy, predictably, sings It's

London Weekend

9.25 International Golf: Jack NickJaus teams up with Sean Connery,
and Ben Crenshaw with American
country and western singer Glen
Campbell. (See Personal Choice.)
10.15 Therese Raquin: Second
showing of episode one of this
powerful adaptation (by Philip
Mackie) of Zola's novel. It is about
an unfaithful wife (Kare Nelligan)
who conspires in the murder of her
bushand by her lover (Brian Cox).
11.10 Jazz: Interview with George
Wein, creator of the Newport Jazz
Festival. Also: Elis Regina, Hermer to Pascoal and L. A 4.
11.40 News and weather. 9.00 Pot Black 80: Defending Pot Black champion Ray Reardon plays Dennis Taylor in the eleventh

frame. The winner becomes the first qualifier for the semi-finals. 9.25 International Golf: Jack Nick-

11.40 News and weather.

11.55 Friday Night . . Saturday
Morning: Late-night
entertaignment—fun and music—
hosted by I'm Rice, with guests.
Ends at approximately 12,50.

2.45 Film: An Inspector Calls (1954).* Screen version of the intrigning J. B. Priestley play, with Alastair Sim as the "policeman" who says he is investigating a poisoning. With Arthur Young, Olga Lindo, Bryan Forbes. 7.30 Play Your Cards Right : Bruce Forsyth conducts this test of other people's nerves and only margin-ally of their intelligence.

8.00 Life Begins at Forty: Derek Nimmo-Rosemary Leach comedy series. The middle-aged couple find themselves holding two bables—their own and a friend's. 3.30 Flawsii Five-0: Why some injuries don't want an autopsy to be carried out on the bodies of two 9.30 Fully Licensed for Singing and Dancing: Comedian Roy

and Dancing: Comedian Roy Walker introduces acts from night spots. 10.00 News. 10.30 Soap: More weird comedy from the Tate and Campbell fam-

Ities.

11.00 The London Programme: To extend, or not to extend, jury verting. The interviewed include Judge Alan King-Hamilton who last year castigated the jury in the Old Bailey anarchy trial.

11.45 Police 5: Shaw Taylor helps the Yard. the Yard. 11.55 Pro-Celebrity Snooker : The Canadian Club Trophy. 12,40 am Close.

RADIO

5.50 Regional news, weather, 11.00-11.30 Study on 4; Problem (19). Radio 4 6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming.

6.30 Today. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. Radio 3 6.55 am Weather (mf only).
7.00 News.
7.05 Records: Arge, Telemann,
Tchaikowsky.;
8.05 Records: Mozart, Monteverdi,
Chomia Partel 9.00 News. 9.05 Desert Island Discs. 9.45 Inquire Within. 10.00 News. 10.05 From Our Own Corres-

10.05 From Our On-pondent. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Story Time. 11.00 News. 11.05 Reel Evidence. 11.50 Bird of the Week. Chopin, Ravel.† 9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composers: At the Court of Gustav III.; 10.00 Recital : Field, Faure, Liszt,

12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 My Music.;
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World at One. Britten.†
10.55 Melos Quartet of Stuttgart: 10.55 Meios Quarter of Stategart.
Haydn, Brahms.
11.45 John Pritchard/BBC SO:
Rawsthorue, Britten, Goehr.†
1.00 pm News.
1.05 Mozart Violin Sonatas.
2.15 The Arts Worldwide.
2.35 Records: Vranicky, Fibich, 1.40 The Archers. 2.00 News.

2.02 Woman's Hour. 2.35 Records: Viality, Fibrilla Jamacek.† 3.25 Richard Dering concert.† 4.20 Rodion Shchedrin's Symphony No 1.† 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure. 7.00 Serge Koussevirky conducts Beethoven. 3.02 Play: Equus, by Peter Shaffer.† 5.00 PM. News magazine. 5.55 Weather. .00 News. 30 Going Places. .00 News.

7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week.n Beethoven. 7.10 One Pair of Ears. 7.25 Play it Again.† 8.10 Profile. 7.30 Marting.† 8.00 Lewis and the Price of Pros-8.30 Any Questions?
9.15 Letter from America.
9.30 Kaleidoscope. perity, report. 8.45 In Repertory with Tito Gobbi-4 Gobbi.† 9.45 The Vision of Piers the 10,35 Week Ending.n 11.00 A Book at Bedtime. 11.15 Financial World tonight. Ploughman (5).†
10.15 David Wilde (piano):
Chopin, Bartok, Liszt.†
11.35 Vivaldi's Violin Concerto in

VHF VHF 5.50 am Regional news, weather. 7.50 Regional news, weather. 9.65-10.30 Schools: Contact; People at Work; Country Dancing; Notice Board II; Music Workshop. 6.00-7.00 am Open University: Television and Politics (3); Old Age in Poland; What is a Function? 6.20-7.00 pm Open University: Dartmoor; The Sun-centred World.

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10.45-12.90 Schools: A Corner
for Music: Exploring Society;
Notice Board II; Listening and
Writing; Prospect.

2.00 pm-3.00 Schools: Let's Join
In: Religious Education; Ad-Radio 2 5.00 am News, weather, 5.03 Ray Moore, † 7.32 Terry Wogan, † 10.03 Jimmy Young, † 12.03 pm David

Hamilton.† 2.03 Steve Jones.† 4.03 Much More Music. † 5.00 News. 5.05 Waggoners' Walk. 5.20 Much More Music.† 6.03 Derek Hobson. 8.02 Big Fight Special. Jim Watt v Charlie Nash. 10.02 Roy Castle, 10.30 Sounds of Ladu America. 11.02 Brian Matthew. 2.02-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music.†

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5.00 am As Radio 2, 6.00 Dave Lee Travis. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.31 Paul Burnett, 2.00 pm Andy-Peebles, 4.31 Kid Jensen, 5.30 Newsbeat, 5.45 Roundtable, 7.30 Anne Nightingale, 9.50 Newsbeat, 10.00 Friday Rock Show.+ 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2. VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am

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11.30 Today in Parliament. 11.45 Play: Plans and Ashes. 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Shipping forecast,

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Yorkshire

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s London except: 1.20 pm ATV News-sk. 2.45 Fanissy Island. 2.45 Money->- Round. 5.15 Mapay Days. 6.00 ATV day. 11.00 ATV Newsdesk. 11.75 m: Nothing but the Night (Christo-ter Lee, Peter Cushing). Grampian

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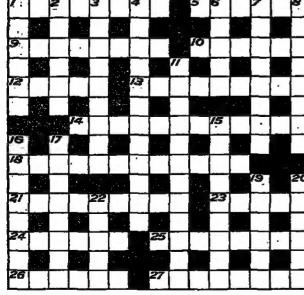
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